

THE MAYFLOWER COMPACT



Agreement between the Settlers at New Plymouth, 1620

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN. We, whose names are underwritten, the Loyal Subjects of our dread Sovereign Lord King James, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. Having undertaken for the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith, and the Honour of our King and Country, a Voyage to plant the first Colony in the northern Parts of Virginia; Do by these Presents, solemnly and mutually, in the Presence of God and one another, covenant and combine ourselves together into a civil Body Politick, for our better Ordering and Preservation, and Furtherance of the Ends aforesaid: And by Virtue hereof do enact, constitute, and frame, such just and equal Laws, Ordinances, Acts, Constitutions, and Officers, from time to time, as shall be thought most meet and convenient for the general Good of the Colony; unto which we promise all due Submission and Obedience.

IN WITNESS whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names at Cape-Cod the eleventh of November, in the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King James, of England, France, and Ireland, the eighteenth, and of Scotland the fifty-fourth, Anno Domini; 1620.

The Signers:

John Carver	John Billington	Thomas Williams	John Ridgdale
William Bradford	Moses Fletcher	Gilbert Winslow	Edward Fuller
Edward Winslow	John Goodman	Edmund Margesson	Richard Clark
William Brewster	Samuel Fuller	Peter Brown	Richard Gardiner
Isaac Allerton	Christopher Martin	Richard Britteridge	Mr. John Allerton
Myles Standish	William Mullins	George Soule	Thomas English
John Alden	William White	Edward Tilly	Edward Doten
John Turner	Richard Warren	John Tilly	Edward Liester
Francis Eaton	John Howland	Francis Cooke	
James Chilton	Stephen Hopkins	Thomas Rogers	
John Craxton	Digery Priest	Thomas Tinker	