

instituted by Joaquin Indian of the  
Mission of San Fernando solici-  
ting a tract of land together with  
several Neophytes of the same  
Establishment.

Sos Angeles April 10<sup>th</sup> 1843.

To His Excy the General

I Joaquin a Neophyte of this Mission of San  
Fernando Alcalde and two more with fifteen  
men more before you with the greatest re-  
spect appear and say that being in need of  
a piece or tract of land to put in our crops  
for the support of our families without being  
absent from our Community work, and in orde  
not to be without the necessary food we pray  
that you will please through your Kindness  
of heart to grant us our petition.

Wherefore we shall receive grace and favor  
and you will please accept this on common  
paper for the want of any stamped.

Swearing not to act with malice and what  
ever else is necessary. And also if you wou  
do us the favor to remove the Majordomo  
we want another who will not cause us  
as much damage as this one that we  
have now in San Fernando.

who told us that the piece of land belong  
to us and that we only had to ask you  
for this piece of land, the Mission does  
not occupy it. Because only in this Mis-  
sion the Neophytes have no gardens;  
Because in all the other Missions the  
Neophytes have gardens.

Written by the Neophyte

Marcial. The Alcalde Joaquin  
ordered him to write these lines

Alcalde

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{S.S.}

Subject April 14<sup>th</sup> 1843

Let the Very Rev. Fr. Blas Ordaz report  
designating which is the tract asked for  
by the applicants as they do not know  
how to describe it, and much less mark  
it out on paper with anything else than  
H. Rev. may think proper to say.

Mickel

The tract of land that the Alcalde Joaquin  
and his companions ask for is the same  
that is mentioned in the accompanying  
petition and map

San Fernando King May 2<sup>o</sup> 1843.

Fr. Blas Ordaz.

Alcalde