Transcription

Secession "is the only alternative now left"

We the undersigned citizens of Grayson County Virginia believing as we do that the secession of the State is the only alternative now left us for protection, And that the sentiments of our county is almost unanimous for secession, do respectively pray and petition the convention to adopt the ordinance of secession imediately, or the people will take the matter in their own hands. We are bitterly opposed to calling a border slave state convention and are compelled to denounce its agitators

This the 22nd March 1861

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