

# BY WILLIAM BLOUNT,

GOVERNOR in and over the Territory of the United States of  
America, South of the River Ohio,

## A PROCLAMATION.

**W**HEREAS, by "an Ordinance, for the Government of the Territory of the United States, North West of the River Ohio," passed July 13, 1787, AUTHORITY is given to the Governor "to appoint the TIME and PLACE, as soon as Representatives shall be elected to meet together:" And whereas by an act of the legislature of North Carolina, intitled, "An act for the purpose of ceding to the United States of America, certain western lands therein described," it is made a condition, that Congress, upon the acceptance of the cession of the said lands, shall execute the government in and over the same, "in a manner similar to that which they support North West of the Ohio:" And whereas Congress did accept the lands, by the said act ceded, on the condition aforesaid, and denominated the same, "the Territory of the United States of America South of the river Ohio."

NOW, I the said WILLIAM BLOUNT, Governor in and over the said Territory, of the United States of America, South of the river Ohio, by virtue of the authority in me vested, DO appoint the FOURTH MONDAY in FEBRUARY next, the TIME, and KNOXVILLE the PLACE, for the persons duly elected to represent the several counties in the said Territory, South of Ohio, to meet together.

Given under my hand and seal, at Knoxville, January 1st, 1794.

Wm. Blount

By the Governor

William Blount, Secretary