



By His EXCELLENCY,  
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Captain General and GOVERNOUR in Chief, in and over Her Majesties  
Provinces of the *Massachusetts-Bay, & New-Hampshire* in *New-England*.

## A Proclamation for a general **F A S T**.

**I**NASMUCH as it is the Sovereign Pleasure of the Righteous GOD still to  
lengthen out the Troubles of Europe, by the continuance of the War with  
the common Enemy of the Repose of the Christian Nations; As also our own  
and our Neighbours Troubles, in these Her Majesties Provinces and Colonies with  
the French and Indian Enemies and Rebels; And also considering the Importance  
of the Expedition which Her Majesties Subjects here are now Engaged in against  
the said Enemy and Rebels; And the Just Reason we have to Implore the Divine  
Favour, for the Remission of our Sins whereby we have justly provoked the holy  
GOD, and for his Blessing upon that Undertaking.

**I** have thought fit, by and with the Advice of Her Majesties Council, to Appoint  
and Order, That Thursday the Twenty fourth Day of July current, be  
Solemnized as a day of Publick FASTING and PRAYER throughout  
these Provinces, Exhorting both Ministers and People in their several Assemblies  
Religiously to attend the Divine Services of the said Day: That by a Sincere  
and hearty Confession of our Sins, and humble Reliance on the Divine Mercy, We  
may obtain from GOD, That our Sovereign Lady the QUEEN, with the Nations  
& Territories under her happy Government, may always be under the Protection of  
Heaven, her Majesties Life and Government long continued, her Counsels and  
just Arms prospered: The Designs of the barbarous Salvages against Us be  
preserved; And the poor Christian Captives

of these Provinces, may be the Divine Direction in all their Administrations;  
That Health may be continued, and the present Year crowned with the Fruits  
of Divine Bounty; That Deliberance may speedily arise to the Church of GOD  
Oppressed with the Tyranny of Antichrist; That every kind of Peace & Prosperity  
may be given and secured to Us and our Posterity, upon the firm and lasting founda-  
tions of the Divine Blessing and Favour.

And all Servile Labour upon the said day is Inhibited.

Given at *Roxbury* the Tenth Day of July, 1707. In the Sixth Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lady ANNE,  
by the Grace of GOD of *England, Scotland, France and Ireland* QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c.

By Order of His Excel-  
lency the Gov. & Council.  
Naac Addington, Secr.

J. DUDLEY.

# G O D Save the Queen.