



By the HONOURABLE

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Lieutenant GOVERNOUR and Commander in Chief, in & over His  
Majesties Province of the *Massachusetts-Bay* in *New-England*.

# A Proclamation for a general *FAST*.

**I**T being our indispensible Duty, by humble Supplication, to commend all our Affairs and Interests to the divine Favour and Protection, and to acknowledge our absolute Dependence on the Blessing of GOD for our Success therein;

**I** have thought fit, with the Advice of His Majesties Council, to Order & Appoint Thursday the Second of April next, as a Day of solemn PRAYER with FASTING throughout this Province, Exhorting both Ministers & People in their publick Assemblies, and private Devotions to observe the same by making their humble and penitent Confession of Sin, and Offering up their fervent Prayers to Almighty GOD, for the averting His righteous Judgments, and obtaining all Favours & Blessings both Spiritual & Temporal; In particular, That it please GOD to bless our Sovereign Lord the KING, with His Royal Consort gracious QUEEN, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, the Heir of the Throne, and the other Branches of the Royal Family; That it would please His Majesties COUNCILS, and prosper the Administration of His Majesty, for the lasting Welfare & Tranquility of His Kingdoms & Dominions; That the PEACE of Europe may be established & long continued; That He would preserve His gracious Preservation to this Province, and guide & direct the Administration of the Government thereof; That He would mercifully remember the Occasions of the ensuing Year, and command His Blessing upon our Husbandry, Merchandize and Fishery, and prosper the Works of our hands; That He would maintain Peace in our Borders, and Health in our habitations, and prevent the infection of the Distemper with which we are threaten'd from spreading among us, or other Contagion in great Mercy to His People; That He would continue to us the full Enjoyment of our inestimable Privileges Civil and Religious, And above all, That He would pour out of His SPIRIT from on high upon this whole People, that we may reform whatsoever is amiss among us, and that we may find Grace in His Sight, and be prepared for a thankful Reception of these and all other needful Blessings; And that the Kingdom of our Lord & Saviour JESUS CHRIST may be enlarged and established throughout the whole World. And all servile Labour & Recreations are forbidden on the said Day.

Given at the Council Chamber in *Boston* the Twenty-fifth Day of *February* 1729. And in the Third Year of Our Sovereign Lord *GEORGE* the Second, by the Grace of GOD of *Great Britain, France, & Ireland*, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c.

By Order of the Honourable  
the Licut. Governour, with  
the Advice of the Council,  
*Josiah Willard*, Secr.

*W. DUMMEL*

## G O D save the King.