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## A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

*AS we ought always to remember, the Most High GOD ruleth over all; and it hath been a reasonable and religious Practice of his People, in all Ages of the Church, under their various Necessities and Dangers, to apply to Him by Fasting and Prayer, to give them Repentance, to pardon their Sins, to avert his Judgments, and supply their Wants; which he hath graciously encouraged, approved and accepted:—And considering, that our Nation is now in apparent Prospect of a War; that the Frowns of Heaven are upon us of this Colony, by the many Losses our Trade hath sustained by Sea;—by the Small-Pox scattered in divers of our Towns, in the Fall and Winter past,—and by threatening to cut short the Winter-Grain by variable Weather, accompanied with sudden and violent Frosts;—and especially considering our numerous Impieties, and grievous Offences against GOD, and that we yet remain Impenitent and Unreformed, notwithstanding all GOD's Threatnings and Judgments.*

I HAVE thought fit, with Advice of the Council, to appoint, and do hereby appoint *Thursday, the Eighteenth Day of April next*, to be observed as a Day of *Fasting and Prayer* throughout this Colony; exhorting Ministers and People of all Denominations, sincerely to humble themselves before GOD, confessing our Sins, and fervently supplicating the divine Favour and Mercy, effectually to reform, and give Repentance to a Sinful, Backsliding People, and sanctify the Frowns and Threatnings of his holy Providence; and enable us to make a right Improvement of them.-----Likewise to offer up our Prayers for the Life, Health, and Honour of our Sovereign Lord King *GEORGE the Third*, our gracious Queen *CHARLOTTE*, the *Prince of Wales*, the *Princess Dowager of Wales*, and *all the Royal Family*; that GOD would graciously direct the King's Councils, succeed his Negotiations, prevent (if it be his Will) the Calamities of War, or otherwise Prosper the King's Arms when called to go forth against his Enemies:---Give a righteous, firm, and lasting Tranquility and Peace in the Nation, and with all around them. That GOD would be gracious to all the *British Colonies in America*, and preserve to them the happy Enjoyment of every precious and distinguishing Privilege civil and religious---and particularly to this Colony: That he would bless, direct, and guide our civil Rulers, make them a Terror to evil doers, and a Praise to them that do well, Examples of Virtue, and successful in their faithful Endeavours to render us a happy People. That GOD would bless the Gospel Ministry, for the saving Purposes of its Institution; gather many Souls to CHRIST; build up and establish the Churches in sound Doctrine, Faith and Holiness; bless the College; prosper endeavours used to Christianize the Heathen; smile upon the Husbandry and Trade of this Colony; give us suitable Seasons; cause the Earth to yield her Increase; preserve Health among us; succeed our Agency at the Court of *Great-Britain*; secure our Enjoyments; defend us from our Enemies; pour out his Spirit upon us, and fill this Land and World with that Knowledge of JESUS CHRIST which is eternal Life.

*And all servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.*

*GIVEN under my Hand in Windham, the Twentieth Day of March, in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. Annoq; Domini, 1771.*

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*Jonathan Trumbull  
and his wife  
were present at our  
last Synodical Conference*