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## A PROCLAMATION.



*HEREAS* it hath pleased the LORD our GOD, to continue his Smiles on the British Arms, and to afford His Presence and Blessing, with His Majesty's Forces, and given them such signal Successes against our Enemies in this Land Particularly by the TAKING OF M O N T R E A L, and in the several Operations, leading to that Great and Glorious EVENT; whereby the whole Cuntry of CANADA, is reduced under the Dominion of our Gracious Sovereign: A hopeful Prospect of the future Safety and Tranquillity of these American Colonies, and their distressed Frontiers; the Security of our civil and religious Liberties and Enjoyments; and of publishing among the Heathen, the Knowledge of the only true GOD, and SAVIOUR of Mankind, is agreeably opened to us. And therefore, seriously considering, that such great, and publick Blessings, and promising Aspects, justly call for solemn, sincere, and publick Acknowledgments and Thanksgivings, to the gracious AUTHOR of them.

I HAVE thought fit, by, and with the Advice of the Council, and at the Desire of the Representatives, in General Court assembled, to appoint, and do hereby appoint, THURSDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD Day of this Instant, OCTOBER, to be kept, and duely observed throughout this Colony as a Day of PUBLICK THANKSGIVING; exhorting His Majesty's Subjects, both Ministers and People, with sincere and devout Minds, to unite in giving Thanks to ALMIGHTY GOD, for these great and good Things, which his own Arm hath accomplished for his unworthy People. And in offering up fervent Supplications to the Throne of Mercy for the Continuation of the Divine Blessing on his Majesty's Arms. And that the present War, may soon terminate in a safe, and lasting Peace.

And all servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.

*GIVEN* under my Hand in the Council Chamber, in New-Haven, the Thirtieth Day of October, in the Thirty-fourth Year of the Reign of His Majesty, G E O R G E the Second, KING of Great Britain, &c. Annoque Domini, 1760.

THOMAS FITCH.

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