



By His Excellency



Benjamin Fletcher Captain General and Governour in Chief of His Majesties Province of *New-York, &c.*

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

HAVING received the joyful News of the safe arrival of his Most Excellent Majesty *WILLIAM* the Third, by the Grace of God, King of *England, Scotland, France and Ireland*, Defender of the Faith, &c. Amongst his Loving Subjects in His Kingdom of *England*, in the Month of *October* Last past, of the Success of his Majesties Arms, and of the Wonderful Preservation of his Sacred Person from the many wicked flagitious Conspiracies and Contrivances of his Enemies, as well as in the Danger to which his Majesty is pleased so generously to Expose his Sacred Person, for the Safety of all his Loving Subjects, I have therefore thought fit, by and with the advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council for this Province, to appoint Thursday the 22th of *April* next ensuing, a Solemn day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God throughout this Province, for so gracious and signal favours, and to offer up our Prayers at the Throne of Grace, for the Continuing of his Mercy and Loving Kindness to our Sovereign Lord the King, to grant him a long, and happy Life a Victorious and Prosperous Reign in this World, and an Everlasting Crown of Glory in the World to Come.

And all Ministers and Preachers of the Word of God, and all other Persons whatsoever inhabiting and Sojourning within this Province and Dependencies, are hereby required to celebrate and keep the same at their Churches or Publick Meeting houses accordingly, as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril.

*Given at Fort William Henry the 25th Day of March, in the Ninth Year of his Majesties Reign,
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God Save the KING

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