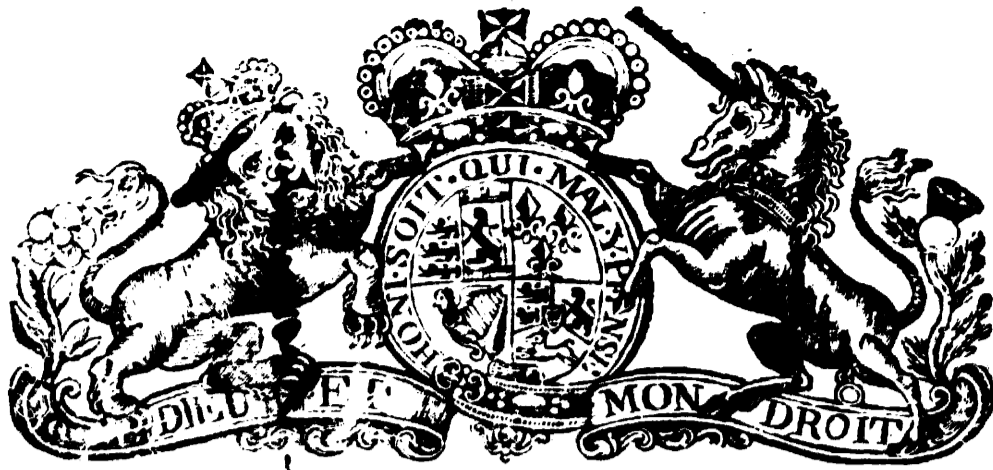


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By the Governor.

A PROCLAMATION

For a Publick Thanksgiving.

WHEREAS it is our incumbent Duty to make our frequent publick thankful Acknowledgment to Almighty God our great Benefactor, as well for the Mercies of his common Providence as for the distinguishing Favours which at any Time He may see meet to confer upon us: AND WHEREAS among many other Instances of the Favour of Heaven towards us of a publick Nature in the Course of the Year past, it hath pleased God to continue the Life of our Sovereign Lord King GEORGE—of our most Gracious Queen CHARLOTTE and of the rest of the Royal Family—to succeed His Majesty's Councils and Endeavours for preserving Peace to the British Dominions—to continue to us a good Measure of Health—to prosper our Husbandry, Merchandize and Fishery:

I HAVE therefore thought fit to appoint, and I do, with the Advice of His Majesty's Council, appoint *Thursday* the *Twenty-fifth* Day of *November* next to be a Day of Publick Thanksgiving throughout the Province, exhorting and requiring the severall Societies for Religious Worship to assemble on that Day, and to offer up their devout Praises to God for the severall Mercies aforementioned, and for all other Favours which He hath been graciously pleased to bestow upon us, accompanying their Thanksgivings with fervent Prayers that, after they shall have sang the Praises of God, they may not forget his Works.

And all servile Labour is forbidden on the said Day.

GIVEN at the Council-Chamber in Boston, the Twenty-eighth Day of October, in the Fourteenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, by the Grace of GOD, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. Annoq; Domini, 1773.

By His Excellency's Command,
THO'S FLUCKER, Secr'y.

T. Hutchinson.

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