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By THOMAS MIFFLIN,

Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

A Proclamation,

Appointing a day of general Humiliation, Thanksgiving & Prayer.

WHEREAS it hath pleased Almighty God to put an end to the grievous Calamity, that recently afflicted the City of Philadelphia; and it is the Duty of all, who are truly sensible of the Divine Justice and Mercy, to employ the earliest moments of returning Health, in devout expressions of penitence, submission, and gratitude: **THEREFORE** I have deemed it proper to issue this Proclamation; hereby appointing **THURSDAY**, the *Twelfth Day of December* next, to be holden throughout the Commonwealth, as a Day of general Humiliation, Thanksgiving, and Prayer. And I earnestly exhort and entreat my Fellow-Citizens, to abstain on that Day from all their worldly Avocations; and to unite in Confessing, with contrite Hearts, our manifold sins and transgressions; in acknowledging, with thankful adoration, the mercy and goodness of the Supreme Ruler and Preserver of the Universe;---more especially manifested in our late deliverance; and in praying, with solemn zeal, that the same mighty Power would be graciously pleased to infill into our Minds the just principles of our duty to Him, and to our Fellow Creatures:---to regulate and guide all our actions by his Holy Spirit;---to avert from all Mankind the evils of War, Pestilence, and Famine;---and to bless and protect us in the enjoyment of Civil and Religious Liberty. And all Officers of the Commonwealth, as well as all Pastors and Teachers, are, also, particularly requested to make known this Proclamation, and, by their example and advice, to recommend a punctual observance thereof, within their respective jurisdictions and congregations:---so that the voice of the People, strengthened by its unanimity, and sanctified by sincerity, ascending to the Throne of Grace, may there find favor and acceptance.

GIVEN under my Hand, and the Great Seal of the State, at Philadelphia, this Fourteenth Day of November, in the Year of our LORD, one Thousand seven Hundred and ninety Three, and of the Independence of America the Eighteenth.

THOMAS MIFFLIN.

By the Governor:

A. J. DALLAS, Secretary of the Commonwealth.

