

By His Excellency JOHN SULLIVAN, Esquire,

Captain-General, and Commander in Chief, in and over the State of Newhampshire.

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**A P R O C L A M A T I O N**  
 FOR A GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

**T**H E season returning loaded with the bounty, and manifesting the munificent hand of the Great CREATOR, who hath been the constant and merciful PROTECTOR and SUPPORTER of us and our ancestors, calls upon us, at this time, to render HIM our annual and public tribute of GRATITUDE and PRAISE.

I Therefore—pursuant to a vote of the Legislature of this State, appointing THURSDAY the *Twenty-sixth Day of NOVEMBER next*, TO BE OBSERVED AS A DAY OF PUBLIC THANKSGIVING throughout this STATE, and by and with the advice of COUNCIL, issue this PROCLAMATION, earnestly exhorting MINISTERS and PEOPLE, of every denomination, to assemble on that Day, and with devout and grateful hearts to adore and praise ALMIGHTY GOD, for his unmerited goodness, in causing the earth to yield her increase, and crowning the labors of the husbandman with plenty—inclining the hearts of the people to *perpetuate* the PEACE and PROSPERITY of AMERICA—influencing them in the choice of RULERS, who justly merit and have the confidence of the People:—To give thanks at the remembrance of His Goodness in continuing Peace in our borders—and health in our habitations; while discord, war, and pestilence have ravaged many other parts of the world:—To bless His holy name for the preservation of our civil and religious privileges—For sparing the important life and restoring the health of THE PRESIDENT of the United States, so justly dear to the Citizens thereof:—To supplicate the continuance of His favours, and implore the forgiveness of our sins, which render us ill-deserving of his mercies—To beseech HIM that the REDEEMER'S Name and RELIGION may be spread, known, and revered throughout the WORLD.

ALL SERVILE LABOUR IS FORBIDDEN ON SAID DAY.

*GIVEN at the COUNCIL-CHAMBER, at Portsmouth, the Twenty-eighth day of September, in the Year of our LORD, one thousand, seven hundred and eighty-nine, and in the fourteenth year of American Independence.*

**JOHN SULLIVAN.**

By His Excellency's Command—with advice of Council:

JOSEPH PEARSON, Secretary.

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