



BY THE HONOURABLE

**GEORGE THOMAS, Esq;**

*Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the  
Province of Pennsylvania, and Counties of Newca-  
stle, Kent and Suffex, on Delaware,*

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

**W**HEREAS it hath pleased Almighty GOD, for the Punishment of our Sins, and for awakening us to a juster Sense of His peculiar and distinguishing Blessings to the *British* Nation, above all the Nations upon Earth, to permit an unnatural and bloody Rebellion to be begun and carried on in *Scotland* by the Son of a Popish Pretender, encouraged and supported by our antient and inveterate Enemies the *French and Spaniards*, and by that Monster of Iniquity, the Court of *Rome*; and whereas GOD, of His great Mercy, after a Chastisement far short of our Deserts, hath at length been pleased to give a Blessing to the Forces of our Rightful and Lawful Sovereign King *GEORGE*, under the Command of his Royal Highness the Duke of *Cumberland*, by a compleat Victory over his ungrateful and rebellious Subjects, and thereby to preserve to the *British* Nation their Civil and Religious Rights, with their Independancy of any foreign Power; I do, with the Advice of the Council, hereby order, That *Thursday*, the Twenty-fourth Day of this instant *July*, be observed, throughout the Province and Counties under my Government, as a Day of PUBLICK THANKSGIVING to Almighty GOD, for this, and all other His great Mercies, and that the several Ministers of the Gospel do compose Prayers and Sermons suitable to the Occasion, and perform Divine Service on that Day in their respective Churches or Houses of religious Worship.

AND that the said Day may be observed with a Solemnity becoming our Christian Profession, and not, as has been too often the Practice, with Drunkenness, and other Kinds of Licenciousness, to the Dishonour of GOD, and to the Reproach of the Christian Name, I do hereby order, That the Magistrates, and other Officers of Justice, be especially careful to prevent all Immoralities or riotous Disorders whatsoever. And further, I do recommend to the People of the several Religious Perswasions, within the Province and Counties aforesaid, that they do abstain from all servile Labour on that Day.

*GIVEN under my Hand, and the Great Seal of the Province of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia, this Fourteenth Day of July, in the Twentieth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the II. King of Great-Britain, France and Ireland, &c. and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-six.*

*By His Honour's Command,*  
RICHARD PETERS, Secretary.

*G E O. T H O M A S.*

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