



BY THE HONORABLE

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A PROCLAMATION.

HE many Blessings and Favours of Almighty GOD, consernd upon this Colony from Time to Time, and especially in the current Year, call for the most unfeigned Gratitude, to be expressed in public, solemn and devout Praise and Thanksgiving, to the Beneficent Giver of every good and perfect Gift.

I Have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of the Council, and at the Desire of the Representatives in General Court assembled, to appoint, and do hereby appoint, Thursday, the Twenty-third Day of November next, to be observed as a Day of public Thanksgiving throughout this Colony; directing and enjoining both Ministers and People in all religious Societies and Congregations, to magnify the Lord, and celebrate the Praises of the Most High GOD, for the abundant Manifestations of his Goodness, in the Protection, Peace and Prosperity afforded Us: That He has preserved the Life of our most Gracious Sovereign King GEORGE the Third, and his Royal Consort our Gracious QUEEN, and given her safe Delivery of a Princess; and also the Lives of the Rest of the Royal Family: That He still indulges us with the inestimable Priviledges of the Gospel and the Means of Grace; that He has continued our valuable civil Rights and Liberties, and lengthened out our public Tranquility; and granted us Health in most of our Towns and Plantations; and where Sickness has prevailed, alleviated the same. And notwithstanding the dark Appearances in some Parts of the Year, yet a kind Providence hath intervened, and in a great Measure changed the Melancholy Aspect, and given us a competent former, and plentiful latter Harvest, and so far caused the Earth to yield her Increase, as to give us a Prospect of a comfortable Supply both for Man and Beast. And also to offer up sincere and fervent Prayers to Almighty GOD for the Continuance of his Favour. That He would bless the King's most excellent Majesty, and his Royal Consort our gracious Queen CHARLOTTE, the PRINCE of Wales, the Princess DOWAGER of Wales, and all the Royal Family; preserve their Lives, and eminently accomplish and use them, for the Promotion of his Glory and the Good and Welfare of our Nation; grant Wisdom, Prudence and Integrity to the King's Counsellors and Ministry; direct the Parliament to such Measures and Conclusions as may restore a happy Union and Harmony between Great-Britain and her Colonies; bless and prosper our Nation and Land; defeat all Attempts of our Enemies against us; preserve and continue to this Colony all our Rights and Priviledges, both Civil and Religious, to the latest Posterity; succeed our Agency at the Court of Great-Britain, and grant us Favour with our King; bless our Civil Rulers with Wisdom and Integrity, and cause our Affairs to flourish under their Administration; influence Us to make a wise Improvement of the Frown of Providence in removing our late worthy Governor by Death; and gratefully to acknowledge the Divine Favor, in continuing the Life of One of such exemplary Piety and Usefulness, to so advanced an Age: Bless the Gospel Ministry and Institutions; smile upon our College and all Means of Education; succeed the Endeavours to civilize and christianize the Heathen; favourably regard us in all our Interests; delight to dwell among and prosper us; and especially that He would shed down upon us the kind and gracious Influences of his Holy Spirit, and enable us to improve all his Bounties and Favours to the Praise and Glory of his Name, and that we may become truly Religious, that so we may be a happy People, and that Glory may dwell in our Land.

And all Servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.

Given under my Hand in the Council Chamber in NEW-HAVEN, the 30th Day of October, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of GREAT-BRITAIN, &c. KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. Annoque Domini, 1769.

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GOD SAVE THE KING.