

By the United States in Congress assembled.

PROCLAMATION.

IT being the indispensable Duty of all Nations, not only to offer up their Supplications to Almighty GOD, the giver of all Good, for his gracious Assistance in a time of Distress, but also in a solemn and public Manner to give him Praise for his Goodness in general, and especially for great and signal interpositions of his Providence in their Behalf. Therefore the United States in Congress assembled, taking into their Consideration the many Instances of Divine Goodness to these States in the course of the important Conflict in which they have been so long engaged—the present happy and promising State of public Affairs—and the Events of the War in the course of the Year now drawing to a close; particularly the Harmony of the public Councils which is so necessary to the success of the public Cause; the perfect Union and good Understanding which has hitherto subsisted between them and their Allies, notwithstanding the artful and unwearied attempts of the common Enemy to divide them; the success of the Arms of the United States and those of their Allies, and the acknowledgement of their Independence by another European Power, whose Friendship and Commerce must be of great and lasting Advantage to these States,—do hereby recommend it to the Inhabitants of these States in general to observe, and request the several States to interpose their Authority in appointing and commanding the Observation of THURSDAY the TWENTY-EIGHTH of NOVEMBER next, as a Day of solemn THANKSGIVING to GOD for all his Mercies: And they do further recommend to all Ranks to testify their Gratitude to GOD for his Goodness, by a cheerful Obedience to his Laws, and by promoting each in his Station and by his Influence the practice of true and undefiled Religion, which is the great Foundation of public Prosperity and national Happiness.

Done in Congress at Philadelphia, the eleventh Day of October, in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty two, and of our Sovereignty and Independence the seventh.

CHARLES THOMSON, Sec'y.

JOHN HANSON, President.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY

JONATHAN TRUMBULL, Esquire,
Governor, Captain-General, and Commander in Chief, in and over the State of Connecticut, in America.

PROCLAMATION.

I HAVE thought fit, on the foregoing Recommendation and Request of the United States in Congress assembled, by and with the Advice of Council, to appoint, and do hereby appoint Thursday the Twenty-eighth Day of November next, as a Day of solemn Thanksgiving to GOD for all his Mercies, to be observed and attended throughout this State; hereby exhorting both Ministers and People of all Denominations, devoutly to offer up sincere and hearty Thanks to Almighty GOD, the author and giver of all our Mercies, for the continuance of our civil and religious Liberties---for our general Health---for the bounties of his Providence---for the free enjoyment of the inestimable blessings of the Gospel---and for all other general and particular Mercies, which through the riches of divine Beneficence we enjoy.

Likewise, let us beseech Almighty GOD, *all whose Ways and Works are perfect*, that he would establish that which he hath wrought, and still carry it on to further and greater Perfection: That he would bless the General Congress, succeed the Arms of the United States, and those of their Allies, and direct the Civil Rulers of these States in a just, wise and faithful Administration of Government, and make them instruments of his Glory and of their Prosperity; unite their Councils, and guide them into the most wise and happy Measures for the preservation of our just Rights: That he would prosper the Gospel Dispensation, and abundantly bless and succeed the Ministry of it; smile upon and bless all the Colleges and means of Education; sanctify his Frowns to humble us, and to promote a general Repentance and Reformation; make this Land a mountain of Holiness and habitation of Righteousness; unite all his People in Religion and Virtue, and fill their Hearts, their Mouths, and the Earth with his Praise

And all servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.

GIVEN under my Hand at Lebanon, this thirty-first Day of October, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and eighty-two, and in the seventh Year of the Independence of the United States of America.

JONATH. TRUMBULL.