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

ALTHOUGH we have infinite Reason, with awful Reverence to adore the suprem, righteous and holy Governor of the World, under our distressing Calamities, arising from the unhappy Measures the British Administration are pursuing with the American Colonies, and the Civil War which is brought upon us in that Pursuit :---And also in the Sickness and Deaths which GOD hath sent into our Armies, and many of our Towns :---And to say, we have sinned ;---The Lord is righteous.---Yet we have abundant Reason to bless his holy Name, that in the midst of Judgment he hath remembered Mercy.---He hath favoured us with a very plentiful Production of the Fruits of the Earth, the Necessaries and Comforts of Life ;---Hath remarkably preserved our Troops, and the Lives of our People in some Places which have been cannonaded, and little Damage hath been done to the Habitations of the People in such Dangers :---And hath bestowed upon us many other Favours of divine Providence, which call for our grateful Acknowledgements to the GOD of all Grace.

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 I do hereby appoint **THURSDAY**, the *Sixteenth* Day of *November* next, to be observed as a Day of public **THANKSGIVING** throughout this Colony :--- Hereby exhorting both Ministers and People, to offer up sincere and hearty Praises to **GOD**, the blessed Author of all Good, for His bountiful Supplies of the Necessaries and Comforts of Life, in a Season when our Commerce has been prevented, and the Supplies from the Fishery denied us :---That a good Measure of Health hath been enjoyed in many Places :--- That such Multitudes of Lives have been spared in the Day of our Danger, and for diverse Smiles of Providence upon us in our Endeavours to defend our Liberties and Priviledges :---For disposing the Indians to Peace, and preventing their being prevailed on to fall upon and distress our Frontiers :---For hitherto preserving so many of the Rights and Priviledges of this Colony, and causing so great Harmony and Union in America.---Above all, for the Continuance of our Enjoyment of the blessed Gospel, and Ordinances of Christ, and the Means of Salvation.---And to offer up humble and earnest Prayers to **GOD**, for our Sovereign Lord King **GEORGE** the Third ; our gracious Queen **CHARLOTTE** ; his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and the Rest of the Royal Family : That **GOD** would inspire the King's Heart with Wisdom to discern the true Interest of all his People ; guide and dispose him to such Measures as may happily tend to their Peace, Prosperity and Happiness : That He would bless our Civil Rulers ; lead them into the most wise and prudent Measures, happily to guide our Affairs in this dark and difficult Day ; and make them know what Israel ought to do.---That he would graciously restore the Blessings He has given us a right to enjoy, and preserve our Priviledges forever. That He would bless the Churches, and make them flourish in Truth, Peace and Holiness ; succeed the Ministry of the Gospel.---That He would confirm and increase Union and Harmony in the Colonies, and throughout America, upon the Principles of Virtue and Liberty. That he would pour out His Spirit upon all Orders of Men in our Land, bring us to a general Repentance and Reformation ; and when His Judgments are abroad among us, make us learn Righteousness, and practise every Christian Virtue. Smile upon and bless the College and Means of Education, and the Methods taken to civilize and christianize the Heathen.---That He would dwell in our Land, and make it a Mountain of Holiness, and a Habitation of Righteousness.---Gather in Nations to him, and spread the Redeemer's Glory through the Earth.

And all servile Labour and vain Recreations are forbidden on said Day.

GIVEN under my Hand in the Council Chamber in New-Haven, the Fourteenth Day of OCTOBER, in the Fifteenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, &c. Annoque Domini, 1775.

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G O D save the KING.