



BY HIS EXCELLENCY

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Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the State of Connecticut.

A PROCLAMATION.

THE unwearied Goodness, which we are continually experiencing, from our Divine Benefactor, is calculated to excite our Hearts to constant Returns of Gratitude and Praise, to the Bounteous Author of all our Mercies. And it being our Duty, not only as Individuals, but collectively as a People, publicly to present before our GOD, our humble and United Tribute of Thankfulness for his Beneficent Kindness ;

I HAVE, with the Advice of the Council, and at the Desire of the House of Representatives, thought proper to appoint, and I do hereby appoint THURSDAY the TWENTY-SIXTH DAY of November next, to be solemnized throughout this State, as a Day of Public THANKSGIVING and PRAISE TO ALMIGHTY GOD.

The peculiar Duties of that Day, it is hoped, will be seriously and devoutly attended to by all Denominations of Christians within the State, in their Public Assemblies and Social Collections on that Occasion.---They will particularly Praise his Holy Name, for the Manifestation and Continuance to us, of the Glorious Offers of Grace and Love to Mankind, through a Divine Mediator.---They will praise HIM, for the general and special Interpositions of his Divine Providence towards our State and Nation, experienced in his constant Care and Kindness towards us, individually and as a People.---They will more especially praise HIM, and recount before HIM the Wonders of his Goodness, in the very bountiful Supplies of the Fruits of the Earth, in the present Season, whereby our Hearts are made glad for this Feast of Ingathering. Praise HIM for the general Health, so mercifully continued in our Land :---And for all the various Mercies---past our recounting ---with which we are constantly indulged.

It will become us, also, on this Occasion, to offer our devout and ardent Supplications to Almighty GOD, for a Continuance of his Gracious and Providential Kindness towards us in future.---That HE would bless our State and Nation with the Divine Protection and Direction :---That HE would be pleased to harmonize the Minds of our Citizens in Peace, Order, and Religious Sentiment :---That HE would bless the President of these United States, and counsel him in all his arduous Duties, by His Divine Influence and Assistance :---That HE would afford his Wisdom and Direction to all in Authority, Legislative, Executive and Judicial, in our National and State Governments :---That HE would dwell in our Land with his special Influence and Superintendance :---That HE would strengthen and perpetuate the Union of these United States :---Bind together our Citizens in mutual Confidence, and the Ties of Affection ; and fill our Minds with universal Benevolence towards each other and all Mankind :---That HE would mercifully bless our Means and Institutions of Learning and Instruction,---those great Foundations of our social Order and Happiness :---That HE would inspire our Ministers of the Gospel with the genuine Spirit of Christianity ; that they may prove Examples to their People in Doctrine and Practice ; and lead their Flocks by the Cords of Meekness and Affection, to the sincere Acknowledgment of the Religion of JESUS :---That HE would extend Gospel Light and Knowledge to the various Parts of the World :---Commiserate the Sufferings and Calamities of Distant Countries :---Give Peace and Quiet to contending Nations, and fill the Earth with his Praise and Glory.

All Servile Labour on said Day is by Law forbidden.

GIVEN under my Hand at New-Haven, this nineteenth Day of October, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and One, and of the Independence of the United States of America the twenty-sixth.

JONATHAN TRUMBULL.

By his Excellency's Command,
SAMUEL WYLLYS, Secretary