



BY HIS EXCELLENCY

**JONATHAN TRUMBULL,**

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

# A PROCLAMATION.

*THE passing Year has given abundant Experience of the Care of Divine Providence over His Creatures, and renewed towards us the various Instances of beneficent Goodness, of which we have heretofore received innumerable proofs, from our bountiful and all-gracious God.*

**U**NDER a contemplation of this continued Goodness and Mercy, who can refrain from corresponding Expressions of Gratitude and Love,---of Praise and Thanksgiving to so munificent a Benefactor?---Let therefore the People of this State unite in solemn Acts of Thanksgiving and joyful Adorations to Almighty God, for all his Favors to them.---For this purpose, and to encourage them thereto, I do, with the Advice of the Council, and at the Desire of the House of Representatives, recommend and set apart by this my Proclamation, Thursday the Twenty-eighth Day of November next, to be observed throughout this State, by People of all Denominations of Religious Profession, as a Day of joyful Thanksgiving and solemn Ascription of Praise to Almighty God, for all the general and special Acts of His Goodness and Mercy manifested towards our State, our Nation, and individual Citizens:--Particularly to praise His Holy Name, for the Glorious Revelation of Himself and of His Will to Mankind, and for His Gracious Designs of Mercy to a sinful World, through our Great Redeemer:--for His Blessing on our Religious, our civil, literary and social Institutions:--for the remarkable continuance, with some exceptions, of the Health of our People, within this State:--for our abundant former Harvest, and the very favorable Season for its security:--for the preservation from pinching Drought of a hopeful competency of the latter Harvest:--and for the watchful care of a kind Providence over the other Interests of the People in their various private and public Concerns.

And while we Praise our God for Mercies received, let us humbly and earnestly implore from Him, through our Great Mediator, the Pardon of all our Sins, and a Gracious continuance of His Love and Favor towards us, as a People and as Individuals; not only as respects our Public and Private Interests, but especially as regards our more important Spiritual Concerns:--and that, while experiencing His continued Goodness towards us, we may continually acknowledge His Divine Favor, and be enabled to live Lives of corresponding Gratitude and Praise to our All-Bountiful and Gracious Benefactor.

At the same time, let us also in our devout Supplications, commend our Nation, with its Supreme Executive, its Civil and Judicial Administration, and all its public internal and external Relations and Interests, to the Divine Direction and Superintendance.---That under the Influence of His Divine Guidance, we may be a People to His Praise, and a Nation to His Glory.

All Servile Labour on said Day, is by Law forbidden.

*Given under my Hand, in the Council Chamber, at the City of New-Haven, this 23d Day of October, in the Year of our Lord 1805, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the 30th.*

**JONATHAN TRUMBULL.**

BY HIS EXCELLENCY'S COMMAND,  
SAMUEL WYLLYS, *Secretary.*

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