



BY HIS EXCELLENCY

JONATHAN TRUMBULL, Esquire,
Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the State of Connecticut.
A PROCLAMATION.

SERIOUSLY and gratefully considering the numerous Blessings and Mercies, which, by the Dispensations of Divine Providence, in the current Year, the People of this State have bounteously enjoyed;

I HAVE thought proper, by and with the Advice of the Council, and at the Desire of the House of Representatives, to appoint, and I do hereby appoint THURSDAY THE TWENTY-FIFTH DAY of November next, to be observed throughout this State, as a Day of PUBLIC THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE TO ALMIGHTY GOD:---Hereby recommending to Ministers and People of all Denominations, seriously and devoutly to attend to the peculiar Duties of the Day; to rejoice with Gladness, and to praise the LORD with sincere and cheerful Hearts, for all the Displays of his Bounty and Goodness conferred on an ungrateful and undeserving People.---Particularly to praise our GOD, for the continued Enjoyment and free Exercise of the Gospel of Peace, with the cheering Comforts and glorious Hopes of a Blessed Immortality through the Merits of our Great Redeemer; to praise HIM for the general Measure of Health, with few exceptions, with which we have been indulged; to praise HIM for his peculiar Blessing, during the passing Year, on the Labor and Industry of our Husbandmen; and for the Smiles of HIS kind Providence on the Public Interests of the State, and the general Prosperity granted to our various Employments.

It is also recommended that Thanks be given to GOD, for our National Preservation, Peace and Independence.---And that Praise be offered to our GOD, in the Spirit of Universal Benevolence, for the Restoration of General Peace to European Nations, after a long continued and distressing Conflict of Opinions, Passions and Power---an Event favorable to suffering Humanity, and desirable for the Tranquillity of the World.

At the same Time, it is recommended, That solemn Prayers, with deep Contrition of Heart for all our Ingratitude, be offered to Almighty GOD, imploring the Forgiveness of all our Sins and Unworthiness; HIS future Blessing upon us, with the Influence of HIS Divine Grace to direct our future Conduct, in public and in private Life.---That HE will pity and aid us in all our Infirmities, and grant us HIS Divine Guidance, Favor and Protection.---That HE will bless our State and Nation in all their public Concerns---That HE will influence and direct, by HIS Divine Counsel, the President of the United States, in all his Duties and Relations; and grant Wisdom and Integrity to all who are employed in our public Administrations.---That HE will bless and prosper our Institutions of Learning, and Means of Instruction.---Succeed a preached Gospel, and instruct its Ministers in a genuine Knowledge of the Divine Mind and Will, as published therein.---Extend a Knowledge of the Redeemer to the Ends of the Earth---and fill the World with HIS Glorious Praise.

All Servile Labour on said Day is by Law forbidden.

GIVEN under my Hand at the Council Chamber in New-Haven, this 27th Day of October, in the Year of our LORD One Thousand Eight Hundred and Two, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the Twenty-Seventh.

JONATHAN TRUMBULL.

By his Excellency's Command,
SAMUEL WYLLYS, Secretary.