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

REJOICING in GOD, and Thanksgiving to Him, is a Duty and Tribute, all Christian People continually owe Him. Although it hath pleased a just and holy GOD, in some Instances, to frown upon this Land and Colony in the Year past; yet his Grace and undeserved Beneficence, demand our most sincere and hearty Praise.

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 do hereby appoint *Thursday the Fourteenth Day of November* next, to be observed as a Day of public THANKSGIVING throughout this Colony; directing and requiring both Ministers and People, in all their religious Societies and Assemblies, to offer unto GOD Thanksgiving, to rejoice in him with grateful Hearts, and celebrate his Praise for all his Goodness. Particularly, for the Preservation of the Life of his Majesty, our rightful Sovereign KING *GEORGE* the *Third*, our gracious QUEEN, and the Rest of the Royal Family; for his Smiles on that illustrious House in the Birth of another Prince; for the inestimable Benefits of the glorious Gospel of JESUS CHRIST; for the Continuance of so many of our precious Privileges civil and sacred; for the Blessings of general Health, Peace and Prosperity enjoyed among us: And although He hath been pleased to cut short by Blasting and abundant Rains, yet that he hath favoured us with a Competency of the former, and a considerable Fulness of the latter Harvest.

And also, to offer up our fervent Prayers to Almighty GOD for our Sovereign Lord King *GEORGE* the *Third*; for our most gracious Queen *CHARLOTTE*; for their Royal Highnesses *GEORGE* Prince of *Wales*, the PRINCESS-DOWAGER of *Wales*, and all the Royal Family: That he would direct and bless the King's Councils: guide and succeed his Administrations to promote the Peace and Happiness of his People: give Prosperity to our Nation and Land, and defeat all Attempts against it: defend, preserve and secure to this Colony all our civil and religious Privileges: bless our civil Rulers with his Presence and Guidance: grant us abundant Tranquility under their Administrations: give us Favour in the Sight of the King: bless our Agency at the British Court: incline the Minds of all cordially to believe, obey, and maintain in Peace and Purity, the Doctrine, Precepts and Worship of the Gospel of our Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST: fill the Hearts of his Ministers with the Knowledge and Peace of God, the Love of CHRIST and of Souls: build up our Churches in Holiness and Comfort: bless our College, and inferiour Schools of Learning: succeed Endeavours to civilize and christianize the Heathen: shed forth the efficacious Influences of the Spirit of Grace and Peace upon our Nation, Land and Government: make us a People of his Praise, and fill the whole Earth with his Glory.

All servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.

Given under my Hand in the Council Chamber at New-Haven, the Fourteenth Day of October, in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE the Third, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, KING, Defender of the Faith, &c. Annoq; Domini, 1771.

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G O D save the KING.