



By His Excellency

Col. Benjamin Fletcher, Captain General and Governour in Chief of
His Majesties Province of New-York, &c.

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

W Heras I have received certain intelligence of a late horrid and detestable conspiracy, against the sacred life of Our Sovereign Lord King *William*, and of an intended invasion to be made into the Kingdom of *England*, upon the fatal intended blow: all which by the great and good providence of Almighty God is wonderfully discovered and prevented to the great joy and contentment of His Majesties loving and loyal Subjects. I have therefore by advice of his Majesties Council of this Province thought fit to appoint, Thursday the 4th of June next ensuing be observed and kept as a day of thanksgiving; to render praises to Almighty God for his gracious and wonderfull mercies and kindness, in granting us this happy deliverance, and to supplicate for the continuation of his goodness and mercy towards us, in preserving his Majesties Sacred Person, so frequently exposed to danger for the safety and welfare of his people, and to give success and Victory to his Majesties arms at Sea and Land. And all Ministers and Preachers of the word of God, and all other Persons whatsoever within this Province and dependancies, are hereby required strictly to observe and keep the same in their Churches or publick meeting houses; as they will answer the contrary at their peril.

Given Under His Majestys Fort in New York, the 2^d day of May, in the Eighth Year of the Reign of our
Sovereign Lord WILLIAM the Third King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defender of
the Faith, &c. Anno; Domini 1696.

Ben. Fletcher

God Save the KING

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