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LTHOUGH we have Reason to be humbled under the Frowns of the holy and righteous GOD, in chastening a great Part of this Colony in the latter Part of the last Summer, and this Autumn by severe Drought, and by sore and grievous Sickness in divers Towns; yet we receive innumerable Mercies and Blessings of His Providence and of His Grace, which justly call

for our Adoration and Praise:

Have therefore thought fit, by and with the Advice of the Council, and at the Desire of the Representatives, in General Court assembled, to L appoint, and do hereby appoint, THURSDAY the Twenty-fifth Day of November next, to be observed as a Day of public THANKSGIVING throughout this Colony; directing and exhorting both Ministers and People in all their religious Societies and Assemblies, to offer up their sincere Praises to the God of all Grace, for the many Favours and Bleslings he has confered on and continued to us, tho' unworthy of the least of all His Mercies: Particularly, that He has preserved the Life of our gracious Sovereign KING GEORGE the Third, of his Royal Confort, and of his illustrious Family: For the Preservation of so many of our inestimable Priviledges, Civil and Religious: For the Gospel, and the Ordinances of it; and that altho' fome Towns have been visited with Sickness, yet GOD has remembered Mercy for us, prevented the extensive Spreading thereof, and blessed us with general Health; given us a comfortable Supply of the former, and especially of the latter Harvest; and for all other Instances of Divine Mercy.

And also to look up with fervent Supplications to GOD, for the Continuance of the Life of his facred Majesty the King; of our gracious QUEEN CHARLOTTE; the PRINCE of WALES, and the Rest of the Royal Family: That GOD would direct and bless the King's Council, influence and guide his Ministers; and dispose all the Administrations of Government, to promote the Prosperity and Peace, and to continue, confirm, and establish the Priviledges, Rights, and happy Union of the British Empire: That He would bless the Government immediately over us, and make their Councils, Measures, and Administrations subservient to promote Virtue and Happiness among us: Support and bless the College, and inferior Schools of Learning: Smile upon Endeavours to Civilize and Christianize the Indians: Assist and succeed the Ministers of the Gospel, and make it the Power of GOD unto the Salvation of Multitudes: And that the People of all Denominations in this Colony may be united in the Study of the Things of their own Peace, and in promoting Religion and Virtue, and the Glory of GOD.

All servile Labour is forbidden on said Day.

Given under my Hand at the Council Chamber in New-Haven, the Sixteenth Day of October, in the Thirteenth 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, 1773.

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GOD fave the King.