

By His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor and
Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland. Lib. J. R.
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A Proclamation.

for a Day of Public Thanksgiving

Whereas Our most Gracious Sovereign, judging it proper that a public Thanksgiving to Almighty God, should be observed by all His good Subjects, Throughout His extensive Dominions, for the Blessings of Peace, Between, Great Britain, France, and Spain, lately restored, hath caused his pleasure to be Signified to me, by a Letter from the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations: in Obedience therefore to His Majesty's Commands, and that all His Loyal and good Subjects within this Province, may have an Opportunity of Expressing, in a public and Solemn Manner, their Thankfulness for the Happy Conclusion of Peace, between His Majesty Our most gracious Sovereign, and the Most Christian and Catholick Kings, and of Adoring with humble and gratefull Hearts, the Divine Goodness which makes Wars to cease:

I Do by the advice of his Lordship's Council of State, appoint Tuesday the Twenty third Day of August next, to be set apart, and Observed throughout this Province, as a Day of public praise and thanksgiving; and I do hereby recommend it to the Several Ministers of the Gospel within this Province, to Compose proper Addresses to the Divine Majesty, to be used in their Respective Churches and Chapels on that Day, and likewise Sermons Suitable to the Occasion; and I moreover require all such Ministers to publish this my Proclamation in their Several Congregations, during the time of Divine Service, on the Sunday next preceeding the said Day of Thanksgiving. p. 361

Given at the City of Annapolis This Twenty sixth Day of July, in the Thirteenth year of His Lordship's Dominion, Annoq Domini 1763.

John Ross Clk. Con.

Horatio Sharpe.

God Save the King.

To The Kings most Excellent Majesty

The humble Address of the Lieutenant Governor and Council of the Province of Maryland.

Permit Us most Gracious Sovereign with all humility to offer Our most cordial Congratulations on the happy Completion of your Majesty's benevolent and early Desire the Re-establishment of Peace, and to express Our grateful Sense of the Benefits We with the Rest of Our Subjects derive from