

The Committee appointed to prepare an Address in Answer to His Excellencys Speech bring in the following.

U. H. J.  
Liber No. 36  
June 18

To His Excellency Robert Eden Esq.<sup>r</sup> Lieutenant General and Chief Governor in and over the Province of Maryland

The Humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly

May it please your Excellency.

We, His Majestys dutiful and loyal Subjects the Upper House of Assembly, return your Excellency our Thanks, as well for your kind and obliging Speech at the opening of this Session, as for giving us this early opportunity of enacting such Laws as may promote the general Welfare.

We cannot but derive great pleasure and Satisfaction from your Excellency's Reappointment, and the royal Approbation of your past Conduct and have the strongest Persuasion your Endeavours to advance the Prosperity of the Province will continue to be exercised for that very laudable Purpose, and that your Excellency's good Intentions will be assisted by the Concurrence of the New Proprietary, and the Guardians of his Minority

Which was Read, approved of and Ordered to be Engrossed

The Engrossed Address being prepared was Read and Assented to and Signed by Order of the House by the Honb.<sup>le</sup> Benedict Calvert Esq.<sup>r</sup>

Ordered that Benedict Calvert Esq.<sup>r</sup>, attended by the whole House, do present the said Address to His Excellency; which was presented accordingly.

Adjourned until three of the Clock in the Afternoon.

Eodem Die post Meridiem.

This House met again according to Adjournment.

Present as in the Morning.

Adjourned until to Morrow Morning Ten of the Clock.

Saturday Morning 19.<sup>th</sup> June 1773.

June 19

The House met again according to Adjournment.

Present as yesterday.

Mess.<sup>rs</sup> Ridgely and Ward attend with Mess.<sup>rs</sup> Walter Tolley, a Member elected for Baltimore County, and Joseph Gilpin for Cecil County, to see them Qualified, who take the Oaths to the Government appointed to be taken by Act of Assembly, repeat and Subscribe the Abjuration and Test, and then withdraw.