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out a due care in us to preserve the Peace of our Government and to give all due protection to such as have brought themselves under our subjection. Wee doe therefore hereby charge and require you to give notice at the said time to the said Governour of Canada that upon mature Consideration wee have thought fitt to own the Five Nations or Cantons of Indians viz^t the Maquaes Sinecas Cajouges Oneydies and Onondagues as our Subjects and resolved to protect them as such, soe as nevertheless upon Information of any Injury offered or which shall be offered or done by them to any of the Subjects of our good Brother the most Christian King to cause as wee doe hereby direct you to cause entire Sattisfaction to be made for the same, and the Indians withheld from disturbing the French in any manner whatsoever Provided they doe abstain on their parts from making Warr upon those Indians our Subjects or doing them any Injury and in case the people of Cannada shall notwithstanding this declaration persevere in invading our dominions and annoying those Indians you are with the utmost of your Power to defend and protect them, and if need shall require to leavy Arm and employ all persons resideing within your Government in the resisting and withstanding the Invasion or Attempts of the French and them if there shall be occasion to preserve in or out of the Limitts of your said Government and to doe and execute all & every other thing which you shall find necessary for the protecting our Subjects and preserving our Rights in those parts and for the better performance thereof wee doe hereby give you full power and authority to erect and build such Forts, Castles & Plateformes and in such place or places as to you shall seem requisite for this service, and in case it shall happen that upon this occasion the Aid and assistance of our neighbouring Colloneys may be usefull, you are to give notice thereof to our severall Governours and Prop^{rs} in any of our Plantations upon the Continent of America to whom we have already sent orders to afford you such help as the Exigency shall require and for soe doing this shall be your Warrant.

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Given at our Court at White Hall the 10th day of November 1687 In the third year of our Reign

Subscribed

To our Trusty & Welbeloved

Tho: Dongan Esq^{re} our Cap^t Gen^l

& Gov^r in Chief of our Province of New York and its Territoryes depending thereon and to our Gov^r or Com^r in Cheif thereof for the time being.

A true Copy Ex^d

by John Knight D^y Sec^{ry}

By his Maj^{ties} comand
Sunderland P.