

C. P. Members of Our Privy Council and House of Delegates for this Our Province of Maryland Greeting.

Whereas Our certain Writts of Election Issued directed and sent into the severall Sherriffs of Our s^d Province bearing Date the Sixteenth day of February last past thereby empowering them to call together Three or more Comissioners of the respective Countys one whereof to be of the Quorum, with their Clerk, to sit as a Court, and during their Sitting, by virtue of their Office, to make or cause to be made Publick Proclamation, thereby giving Notice to all the Free Men of their said Countys, authorized by Law, to Appear at a certain day and Place to be appointed for the Electing and choosing four Delegates or Representatives for each of their Countys, and to the Mayor Recorder and Alderman of the City of Annapolis to choose two for the City to Serve at a Genr^l Assembly to be held at the City of Annapolis the twenty third day of April Instant as by recourse to Our s^d Writts being had, may more fully and at large Appear. But for certain Causes & Considerations us thereunto especially moving We do think fit to defer Put off and Prorogue the sitting of the said Assembly untill the twenty fourth day of this Instant April and the same is hereby Prorogued Accordingly, Whereof You and every of You are to take due Notice, and no wayes to faile meeting at this Place on the said twenty fourth day of April afores^d Given under Our Broad Seale of Our said Province this twenty first day of Aprill 1716 in the first Year of Our Dominion over the s^d Province of Maryland Witness Our Trusty and well beloved John Hart Esq^r Our Cap^t Genr^l and Govern^r in cheif of Our s^d Province of Maryland & the Territories thereto belonging.

At the Council in Assembly held in the Council Chamber in the City of Annapolis the 24th day of Aprill in the first Year of his Lordship's Dominion &c^a Annoq Dni 1716

Present

His Excellency John Hart Esq^r Cap^t Gen^l and Govern^r in cheif

	Thomas Brook Esq ^r	Philemon Lloyd Esq ^r
The Honb ^{le}	Col W ^m Coursey	L ^t Col R ^d Tilghman
	L ^t Col. Sam ^l Young	&
	Col Tho ^s Addison	Col Tho ^s Smith

The Gentlemen of his Lords^{ps} Council viz. the Honb^{le} Thomas Brooke Esq^r Col Thomas Addison and L^t Col Richard Tilghman certified his Excellency that Pursuant to the