

Laws, their own solemn Agreement, the Safeguard of their defenceless Country, and their Duty to Your Majesty in a proper Care of this Part of your Dominions could not influence to provide for Our common Safety, should notwithstanding by their Address assure your Majesty "Of their being at all times ready and willing in a legal manner to grant and raise such Supplies as are necessary for the Defence and Preservation of the Province" This being the Point which We have been endeavouring (tho' in vain) to prevail with the Lower House to comply with, We most humbly hope Our Conduct and Behaviour will be approved of in your Royal Wisdom as perfectly agreeable to and consistent with the most unfeigned and inviolable Duty and Affection of your Majesty's ever devoted and Loyal Subjects

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Ordered that the Clerk of this Board give the rest of the Gentlemen of the Council who were present at the last Assembly Notice of the said Address, that if they approve thereof it may be signed by them, it being thought necessary that all the Members of this Board sign the same, which Notice being given by the said Clerk, they signed the same accordingly

Ordered that One hundred and fifty Copies of the Report made the last Session of Assembly, to inspect the State of the Fund raised by 3^d p hogshead on Tobacco exported for purchasing Arms and Ammunition for the Defence of the Province, by the Committee of the Upper House of Assembly, be printed.

The hoñble Samuel Chamberlain Esq^r having delivered a Letter directed to the Clerk of this Board and Endorsed thereon 7th August 1740 for his Lordships Service, and which said Letter the Sheriff of Talbot County immediately delivered to an Under Sheriff of Queen Anns County then present in Talbot County as appears by the Sheriff of Talbot County his Lrē to the said Clerk, and which said Letter the Clerk informs this Board, he did not receive until the 15th of August, It is ordered that the Sheriff of Queen Anns County with the before mentioned Under Sheriff attend this Board at their next Meeting on 17th of October to inform them of the Reason of the Delay of the said Letter.

At a Council held at the House of his Excellency the Governor in the City of Annapolis on Friday the 17th Day of