

the Trade of his Majestys British Subjects to America, and for the Encouragement of Seamen to enter into his Majestys Service to be made publick within this Province I have therefore in Obedience to his Majestys Commands with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State caused the said Act to be published at the City of Annapolis by the Sheriff of the said City and lodged the said Act in the Office of the high Court of Admiralty of this Province for the perusal of any Persons applying for the same And to the Intent that the same may be made known in the several Counties of this Province I do hereby strictly charge and require the several Sheriffs of this Province to make this my Proclamation publick with a Copy of his Majestys Proclamation relating to the said Act annexed thereto in their respective Counties in the usual manner as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril Given at the City of Annapolis this 18th Day of February in the twenty sixth Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1740

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Maryland ss

By His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq^r Governor and Commander in Chief in & over the Province of
Maryland

A Proclamation

Whereas their Excellencies the Lords Justices by their Instructions to me bearing Date at Whitehall the fifth Day of August last signifying his Majestys Pleasure that the Act of Parliament made in the sixth year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Ann Entituled An Act for ascertaining the Rates of foreign Coins in her Majestys Plantations in America should be put in due Execution within this Province in the most effectual manner I have therefore in Obedience to his Majestys Royal Will and Pleasure signified to me by the said Instructions with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State thought fit to issue this my Proclamation hereby strictly commanding and requiring his Majestys Subjects within this Province to put the said Act in due Execution according to the true Intent & Meaning thereof on Pain of being prosecuted according to the utmost Rigor of the Law; And to the End that None may pretend Ignorance of his Majestys Pleasure herein the several Sheriffs of this Province are hereby required to publish this my Proclamation in their respective Counties in the usual manner as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril. Given at the City of Annapolis this 18th day of febr^y in the 26th year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1740

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