Sheriffs within this Province from Time to Time and as Lib. M. often as there shall be Occasion to raise the Power of their Counties in Order to preserve the Peace and to secure & apprehend all Disturbers thereof that they may be prosecuted according to Law And I Do hereby promise a Reward of fifty Pounds to any Person who shall discover any of the said Principall Offenders for Every One of them who shall be duely convicted according to Law, and do Declare that all who have been seduced and misled by such Incendiaries to disturb the Public Peace as herein before mentioned shall be P. 57 pardoned provided they immediately desist from these seditious and unlawful Practices And that none may pretend Ignorance I do hereby strictly charge the several Sheriffes within this Province to publish this my Proclamation at all Churches Chappels Courthouses & other the most publick Places within their Counties whereof they are not to fail at their Peril Given at Annapolis this ninth Day of May in the Eighteenth year of his Lordship's the Lord Proprietary's Dominion &c Annoq Domini 1732.

Ordered that the Clerk of this Board write to the Commanding Officers of the Militia in the several Counties to get the Militia of their Counties in Readiness to aid the Sheriff, in Case he should want their Assistance to disperse the People met in such tumultuous Manner, as is mentioned by the above Proclamation; which Letters were wrote and sent accordingly

His Excellency enquires of the Board that the best Method to know the State of the Militia in the several Counties of the Province; Advised that Letters be wrote to the Comanding Officers of the Militia therein, who alone are best able to give his Excellency a true Account of the State of the Militia in their said Counties

At a Council held at the House of his Excellency the Governor on Wednesday the 31<sup>st</sup> Day of May in the 18<sup>th</sup> Year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1732

## Present

His Excellency Samuel Ogle Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor

 $\begin{array}{c} The \\ Honble \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} Charles \ Calvert \ Esq^r \\ Col \ Richard \ Tilghman \\ Col \ Matt: \ Tilghman \ Ward \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} Benjamin \ Tasker \ Esq^r \\ Michael \ Howard \ Esq^r \\ George \ Plater \ Esq^r \end{array}$ 

His Excellency acquaints the Members of this Board that he has appointed John Ross Clerk of his Lordships Council of State in this Province, and thereupon the said John Ross