

L. H. J. shall think fitt, had more regard to their own private interest then either to the honour or Safety of your Lordships Government. And wee are Sorry wee have occasion at this time to represent to your Lordship That our Governour has acquainted us that after all his faithful services he has been able to doe to y<sup>r</sup> Lordship and your Noble father he thinks himself so much lessened in his Character as well as authority that he cann<sup>t</sup> serve your Lordship any longer with Honour & Success & therefore has desired to be recalled unless your Lordship shall think fitt to restore him to the powers he formerly held and exercised according to the Comission you have granted him which if your Lordship vouchsafe to doe will oblige us to have a grateful sense of your Lordships favour therein and will sufficiently demonstrate to us your Lordships Justice and pious resolutions of preserving us in our Religion Civill Rights and libertys and will putt a Check to the aspireing Efforts of both our secret and open adversaryes On the contrary the recalling (or Curtailing the powers and authorities) of the Governour at this Juncture cannot faile to Gratifie those papists who have very lately soared to that Hight of Impudence as to threaten his person and undervalue his power upon his causing a due prosecution to be made ag<sup>t</sup> those papists who had daringly & openly drank the Pretenders health as King of great Brittain and audaciously Cursed his Most Sacred Ma<sup>ty</sup> King George (whom God long preserve) and on the Governours absence upon the necessary occasions of the Countrey in the night of that day on which they Comemorate the supposed Anniversary of birth of the said Pretender had caused some of the great Guns at the seat of governm<sup>t</sup> to be loaden, and fired off to the terror and amazem<sup>t</sup> of the Inhabitants and in contemp<sup>t</sup> of his Most Sacred Ma<sup>ty</sup> and your Lordships good rules and Govern<sup>mt</sup> of this Province.

And this would no less discourage his Ma<sup>ty</sup>s protestant Subjects here, and so possess their minds with fear and Jealousy's to see them selves so much Subjected to the power of Papists and a Gov<sup>r</sup> removed who has so signally Exerted and Continues still with an unbyassed resolution to exert his authority for the Support of your prerogatives promoting y<sup>r</sup> Interest rendring your Governm<sup>t</sup> most acceptable to all the Inhabitants here Except those who are disaffected to the Protestant Succession and interest by making the happy Constitution and Laws of great Brittain and this your Province the Examp<sup>le</sup> and Rule of his Governm<sup>t</sup>

May it please your Lordship, It is out of a deep Concerne and hearty Zeal for your Lordships Hon<sup>r</sup> and Interest that wee have thus presumed (not to direct you in) but Humbly to