that the Addition should be raised only for the Campaign, Lib. J. R. and to be dismissed at the End of it, by which Means I am of & U. S. opinion that it will not only be less expensive to the Province but you will the sooner compleat your Quota with good Men as they will be enabled to return to their own Habitations in the Winter.

I am the further induced to expect that they will readily comply with this Request that I will as soon as they join his Majesty's Forces supply them with the King's Provisions at the Expence of the Crown which will greatly ease the province in that material Article, and as the Service I propose to employ them on will be an immediate Benefit and Security to your Province.

I need use no Arguments to induce you who are so well acquainted with the Interest of this Country to use your utmost Endeavours to forward this Measure so essential for carrying on the War, and the Safety of your own province.

I am with great Regard, Sir, Your most obedient humble Servant

To Gov<sup>r</sup> Sharpe.

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It is the Advice of this Board to his Excellency, that he p. 219 be pleased to lay the foregoing Letter before the present General Assembly.

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> Day of March in the seventh year of his Lordship's Dominion Annoque Domini 1758:

## Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq: Governor.

The Samuel Chamberlaine Honourable Esq. Col: Benjamin Tasker Daniel Dulany Esq.

Ordered that the following Letters be entred.

## Honoured Sir

In Obedience to your late Instructions given me after ordering the Company of Militia under my Command to be warned in by the Officers of the Company when on their Meeting I proposed to march as directed to Fort Frederick and directed them to do so, and not more than ten of the Company would obey such my Instructions, thô I cannot at