

and expected, they will not again fail in their duty to the King as they did the Last Campaign) and forming the Same into regiments, as far as shall be found Convenient, that you do direct them to hold themselves in readiness as early as may be, to march to the Rendezvous, at Such place or places as may be named for that purpose, by the Commander in Chief of his Majestys Forces in America, or by the Officer who shall be appointed to Command the Kings Forces in those parts, in order to proceed from thence in Conjunction with a Body of his Majestys British Forces and under the Supreme Command of the Officer to be appointed as above, so as to be in Scituation to begin, by the first of May if possible or as soon after as shall be any way practicable, such offensive, operations as shall be Judged, by the Commander of his Majestys Forces in those parts most Expedient for Annoying the Enemy, and most efficacious towards removing and Repelling the Dangers, that Threaten the Frontiers of any of the Southern Colonies on the Continent of America and the better to facilitate this Important Service, the King is pleased to leave it to you to Issue Commissions to such Gentlemen of your Province as you shall Judge from their weight and Conduct with the people and their Zeal for the publick Service, may be best disposed and enabled to quicken and effectuate the Speedy Levying of the greatest number of Men, in the Disposition of which Commissions I am persuaded you will have nothing in view, but the good of the Kings Service, & a due Subordination of the whole when joined, to his Majestys Commander; and all Officers of the provincial Forces, as high as Colonels inclusive, are to have Rank According to their Several respective Commissions agreeable to the regulations Contained in his Majestys Warrant of the 30th of December Last year.

The King is further pleased to furnish all the men so raised as above, with arms Ammunition and Tents as well as to order provisions to be Issued to the Same, by his Majestys Commissarys in the same proportion and manner as is done to the rest of the Kings Forces and a Sufficient Train of Artillery will Also be provided at his Majestys Expençe, for the operations for the Campaign; the whole therefore that the King Expects and requires from the Several provinces, is, the Levying Cloathing and pay of the men, and on these heads Also, that no Encouragement may be wanting to the Fullest Exertion of your Force, his Majesty is farther most graciously pleased to permit me to Acquaint you, that Strong recommendations will be made to Parliament in their Session next year to grant a proper Compensation for such expences

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