Lib. J. R. At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Monday the & U. S. 3^d Day of March in the fourth year of his Lordships Dominion Annoque Domini 1755.

Present

His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esqr Governor

The Senjamin Tasker Esqr Col Benjamin Tasker Richard Lee Esqr Richard Lee Esqr Sendant Col Edward Lloyd

On a Letter from some Gentlemen in Cecil County being produced to this Board wherein it is represented that there is Room to suspect that a quantity of Arms are some where concealed in Cecil County His Excellency in Council has thereupon thought fit to direct and impower Col John Veazey & Michael Earle Esqr or any Magistrate of the afd County upon any Information being given them where such Supposed Arms are lodged to make Search for & Seize or Cause them to be seized by the Sheriff his Deputy or any Constable of the County who shall them keep till his Excellency can be apprized thereof & Signify his pleasure thereon and in case any opposition should be made to the said Col Veazey or Mr Earle or any his Lordships Officers to obstruct or prevent their performance of what is hereby enjoined them they are to apply to the Colonel or any Comissionated Officer of the Militia of that County for Assistance and every such Militia Officer is hereby required on such application to muster the Militia under his Command and render himself and them where such seizure of arms may be made and also take into Custody every Person who may oppose the due Execution of this Order and them Safe keep or deliver over to the Sheriff of the County till his Excellency & Council shall be informed thereof and shall give such directions as they shall think proper thereon

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Dissents

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Frederick Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. To our Right Trusty & well Beloved Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Our Lieutenant Governor of our Province of Maryland and To our Right Trusty and well Beloved the Upper & Lower Houses of our Assembly there and to all others in Our said Province of Maryland for the time being Greeting Whereas