

By His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland. Lib. J. R. & U. S.

A Proclamation

Whereas Frederick Absolute Lord & Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon Lord Baron of Baltimore by his Commission under his Great Seal at Arms bearing date at London the Seventeenth day of March Anno Domini 1753 has with the approbation of his Most Sacred Majesty been pleased to constitute me the said Horatio Sharpe Governor & Commander in Chief in and over this his Lordships Province of Maryland which Commission was this day published in the Presence and hearing of the Members of his Lordships honourable Council and others the Kings Subjects his Lordships Tenants in this Province at the City of Annapolis, I have therefore by and with the Advice of his Lordships Council of State thought fit to issue this my Proclamation notifying the same to all Sheriffs Magistrates and others his Lordships Officers in this Province, and I do further Will and direct that All Officers both Civil and Military Execute and discharge the Several Trusts and Duties in them Reposed and enjoyned by the Present respective Commissions to them granted until such time as my further Pleasure and directions shall be Signified therein. Given at the City of Annapolis this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August in the Twenty Seventh year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Second of Great Britain &c King and in the third year of his Lordships Dominion Annoq Domini 1753

[Great Seal]

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At the Court at S<sup>t</sup> James's the 10 day of May 1753.

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Present

The Kings Most Excellent Majesty  
in Council

His Majesty having been pleased to declare his Royal Allowance and Approbation of Horatio Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> to be Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Maryland in America according to the Nomination of the Lord Baltimore Lord Proprietary of the said Province, He this day took the Oaths before his Majesty in Council, appointed to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy, and also the Oath Required to be taken by the Governors of his Majestys Plantations for putting in Execution the Acts of Trade and Navigation

W. Sharpe