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By the Right Honourable Frederick Lord Baltimore in the Kingdom of Ireland Lord Proprietary of the Provinces of Maryland and Avalon in America.

Instructions to Our Trusty and well beloved Brother Robert Eden Esq<sup>rs</sup> Our Lieutenant Governor and Chief Governor of Our said Provinces of Maryland and Avalon.

Whereas we have by Our Commission under Our Hand and Greater Seal at Arms bearing Date at Baltimore House Westminster this first day of August in the year of Our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and Sixty Eight and in the Eighteenth year of Our Dominion over Our said Province of Maryland appointed you the said Robert Eden to be Lieutenant Governor and Chief Governor of Our said Provinces of Maryland and Avalon during Our Pleasure with such further Powers and Authorities as therein mentioned, You Nevertheless observing and Performing such orders and Instructions as we should from time to time give you in that behalf. Now It is Our Will and Pleasure that you do Observe and perform the following Orders and Instructions and in all things regulate Your Conduct thereby and by such further Orders and Instructions as you shall from time to time receive from us in that behalf, that is to say:

Ist You are upon Your Arrival in Our Province of Maryland forthwith to call together the Members of Our Council of State and make known Our Commission to them under Our greater Seal at Arms bearing even date with these Our Instructions Constituting you Our Lieutenant General and Chief Governor of Our said Province of Maryland, and you are to cause the same to be read and Published with all due and usual Solemnity at the said Meeting and elsewhere as is usual in the like Cases, which being done you are to Qualify Yourself by taking the Oaths as Your Predecessors have done in respect to all Acts of Parliament and Acts of Assembly for that Purpose and Our said Council of State are to do the same.

2<sup>nd</sup> You are to Advise with Our Council of State and Act as heretofore in such Case hath been done about Calling the Assembly and as soon as with their Advice you shall have so Assembled you are to make known to both Houses of Assembly my Speech bearing even Date with these Instructions. And if there be any Laws which are expired and proper to be continued you are on the calling such Assembly under my Authority to recommend to the Council and Assembly the Reenacting and Renewing all such Laws; And you are to do and execute all such Publick Acts in Conjunction with Our Legis-