U.H.J. in this Province to the General Rendezvous in the West Indies thus subscribed

18 July 1740

Read and assented to by the Lower House of Assembly

Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct Lo H.

Read and assented to by this House and Ordered to be so subscribed

A Message from the Lower House by M^{rs} Magruder and Rumsey By the Lower House of Assembly 18 July 1740

May it please Your Honours

This House has not been unmindful of congratulating His Majesty having several Days ago appointed a Committee to draw an Address for that Purpose

We cannot give a direct Answer to what is desired in Your Message of this Day by Cot Hammond until We know the Fate of the Bills relating to the Publick Utility of the Province which have lain almost a Week on your Table

We are far from desiring a Continuation of the Differences which happened last Session, they being most disagreeable to Us and cannot but be fatal to the People, and We hope the moderation of Our Proceedings hitherto will evince Our Inclinations in this Part, But if Your Honours will be pleased to give a Passage to those Bills according to the usual Custom, so that We may have any Prospect of drawing the Sessions to a speedy and amicable Conclusion We will readily joyn with you in any Matter in Our Power that may tend to cultivate a good Understanding between the several Branches of the Legislature Signed p Order M Macnemara Ct Lo H.

Adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten of the Clock

July 19

Saturday Morning 19 July 1740

This House met again according to Adjournment

Present as yesterday

The following Message with an Address to the King prepared in this House is sent by Philip Lee Esq^r

By the Upper House of Assembly 19 July 1740

Gentlemen

In Our Message of the 18 Instant by Cot Hammond we desired you would be pleased to joyn with us in an Address to his Majesty to congratulate him upon the Glorious Successes of his Arms against p. 25 the Spaniards, But We are surprized to find by your Answer of the same Day by Mess^{rs} Magruder and Rumsey to that Message, that instead of agreeing to joyn with us in such an Address, you tell us you cannot give a direct Answer to that Message, until you know