

Thursday September 27:<sup>th</sup> 1770

L. H. J.  
Liber No. 54  
Sept. 27

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Members were called and all appeared as on Yesterday—

The Proceedings of Yesterday were read.

M.<sup>r</sup> Smallwood and M.<sup>r</sup> Key appeared in the House.

The Petition of Abraham Barnes was read a second Time

Ordered, That M.<sup>r</sup> Eden M.<sup>r</sup> W. Thomas and M.<sup>r</sup> Bordley be a Committee to examine into the Truth of the ffacts alledged in the Petition, and report the same to the House.

M.<sup>r</sup> Johnson from the Committee brings in and delivers to M.<sup>r</sup> Speaker an Address to his Excy which was read, approved, and ordered to be ingrossed.

M.<sup>r</sup> Johnson brings in and delivers to M.<sup>r</sup> Speaker the following ingrossed Address

To his Excellency Robert Eden, Esquire, Governor and Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland.

The humble Address of the House of Delegates

May it please your Excellency,

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Delegates of the Freemen of Maryland in General Assembly convened return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session, and the Assurance you have been pleased to give Us, that the Sanction of your Authority shall be given with the utmost Alacrity and Satisfaction to all Regulations most conducive to the Prosperity of the Province. We have already appointed a Time for taking into Consideration the several Matters recommended to Us by your Excellency, and are not without Hopes that the Result of our Deliberations on these and all other Matters which may come before us, will merit your Approbation and evince our firm Attachment to the Public Good.

Which was read and assented to and signed by Order of the House by the Honourable Speaker

Ordered, That M.<sup>r</sup> Grahame and M.<sup>r</sup> Aquila Hall do acquaint his Excellency that this House hath prepared an Address to be presented to him and desires to know when and where he will be pleased to receive it.

They return and acquaint M.<sup>r</sup> Speaker that his Excellency was pleased to signify he would receive the Address at Eleven O'Clock in the Conference Chamber

Ordered, That M.<sup>r</sup> Johnson, M.<sup>r</sup> Tilghman, M.<sup>r</sup> J. Hall, M.<sup>r</sup> Ringgold, M.<sup>r</sup> Chase and M.<sup>r</sup> W. Paca do present the Address to his Excellency.

They return and acquaint M.<sup>r</sup> Speaker they delivered the Address to his Excellency