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same, and declare the said Assembly to be dissolved. And to the Intent that all Persons concerned may have due Notice thereof, I do hereby strictly charge and require the several Sheriffs of this Province to make this my Proclamation publick in their respective Counties in the usual Manner, as they will answer the Contrary at their Peril

Given at the City of Annapolis this 29.th Day of April, in the second Year of the Dominion of the Right Honourable Henry Harford Esq.^r Anno Domini 1773

Signed by Order U Scott Cl Co.

On Motion, Ordered, That M. So. Wright, M. Beall and M. Chase be a Committee to enquire what Laws will expire with the Close of this Session, and make Report thereof to the House

M.r Paca brings in and delivers to M.r Speaker an Address to his Excellency, which was read, approv'd and ordered to be ingrossed

M. Chase brings in and delivers to M. 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 Assembly convened, return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech at the Opening of this Session.

A Meeting of the general Assembly at this Time is very inconvenient to the private Affairs of many of Us, but as your Excellency has thought proper to convene Us, the peculiar State of the Province has determined Us to proceed to Business. We shall make every Effort in our Power for the enacting such Laws as may promote the general Welfare; and whenever your Excellency is pleased to concur, you will as certainly obtain as merit the Thanks of a grateful People. It gives us a singular pleasure to be informed, that his Majesty has taken immediate Notice of the Affairs and Government of this Province, and we have the firmest Reliance, that the Conduct of the late Representatives, so generally agreeable to their Constituents, when fully known to the ffather of his People, cannot but meet with his Royal Approbation.

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

The House adjourns till 3 O'Clock