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Callius by the Grant and of our Sovereign
Lord Charles by the Grace of God of England Scotland France
and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c. Absolute Lord
and Proprietor of the Province and Country of Maryland
in the parts of America Lord Baron of Baltimore &c. to all
and singular persons to whom this present Writing shall come
Greeting Know ye that we taking into our serious Considera-
tion the necessity of making a Governor appointing a Council
and other Officers and Establishing of Laws proper and Con-
venient for preservation of the peace and support of the Com-
monwealth of our Province of Maryland and likewise calling
to mind the faithful and laudable Service done by our dear
Brother Leonard Calvert Esq. as well in the Adventure of his
Person in the first descent and settling our Colony there as the
Ordering and Advancing the same by his personall residence
within the same our said Province wherein he hath Manifes-
ted to the Satisfaction of our Self and of our Colony there such
Wisdom Fidelity Industry and other Virtues as render him
Capable and Worthy of trust hereby by us intended to be reposed
in him and for divers other Good Causes and Considerations
us thereunto especially moving have Nominated Constituted
Ordained Authorised and Established and by these Presents
do Nominate Constitute Ordain Authorise and Establish the
said Leonard Calvert in the absence of us and Our heirs Our
Lieutenant General Admiral Chief Captain & Commander as well
by Sea as Land of our said Province of Maryland and the
Islands to the same belonging and do by these presents Give
unto him the chief Commandment and Absolute Authority
about &c. in all matters of Warfare by Sea and Land to execute
And Administer the same to the Resistance of the Enemy or Sup-
pression of Mutinies and insolencies as our said Self shall
think most Commodious for the Preservation of our said Prov^{ce}
and to do all such things as do belong or appertain to the