

James Lee Treasurer for some part of his year's Salary due the twenty ninth Day of September last  
Ordered that Order issue for the Payment of the same of William Kennedy of  
his Majesty's Treasury

At a Council held at the City of Annapolis on Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup> Day of February in the  
ninth Year of his Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1760.

Present

The Honorable  
His Excellency Henrico Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor  
Benjamin Tasker Esq<sup>r</sup> & Daniel Dulany Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Esq<sup>r</sup> Benjamin Tasker & Matthew Rowley Esq<sup>r</sup>

His Excellency is pleased to lay before this Board the following Letter received by him from the Board of  
Trade.

Whitehall November 13<sup>th</sup> 1769.

It having pleased Almighty God to give signal Success to his Majesty's Arms both  
by Sea and Land particularly by the Defeat of the French Army in Canada & the taking of Quebec; &  
his Majesty having thought fit in Acknowledgment of so great Blessings to appoint a Day of publick  
Thanksgiving for the same throughout Great Britain. We herewith inclose you his Majesty's Royal  
Proclamation for that Purpose; and it being his Majesty's Pleasure that the like Publick Thanks-  
giving should be solemnized in all his Majesty's Colonies in America which are so particularly interested in  
these happy Events We do hereby signify to you his Majesty's Commands that you do as soon as possible  
after the Receipt hereof appoint a proper Day for that Purpose to be observed throughout the Province  
under your Government with such Solemnities as are suitable to so great an Occasion. We are

Your most obedient humble Servants  
W<sup>m</sup> Hamilton, James Osgood, Dunk Halifax

Henrico Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor of Maryland.

Which being read It is the humble Advice of this Board to his Excellency that he be pleased to Order Monday  
the 17<sup>th</sup> Day of March next as a Day of Publick Thanksgiving to be observed throughout this Province and  
Proclamation being printed & read accordingly.

Maryland for  
By his Excellency Henrico Sharpe Esq<sup>r</sup> Governor and Commander in Chief in and over  
The Province of Maryland

A Proclamation

Whereas his Majesty our gracious Sovereign most Devoutly & thankfully Acknowledging the great goodness  
Mercy of Almighty God who hath afforded him his Protection and Assistance in the just War in which for the  
common safety of his Realm; and for the disappointing the boundless Ambition of France; his Majesty is at  
this time engaged was pleased by his Royal Proclamation to command that a general Thanksgiving to Almighty  
God for such his Mercies should be observed in Great Britain on the twenty ninth Day of November last & that  
moreover signified his Pleasure that the like publick Thanksgiving be solemnized throughout all his Colonies in  
North America In Obedience therefore to his Majesty's Commands I do hereby with the Advice of his Lordships  
Council of State Appoint the third Monday in March next being the seventeenth Day of the same Month to be  
observed in this Province as a Day of general Thanksgiving to Almighty God for his abundant Goodness mani-  
fested to the British Nation for the signal Successes with which he hath lately blessed his Majesty's Arms  
both by Sea & Land particularly on this Continent And for the better & more Religious & orderly solemnizing the  
same I do hereby direct & require the several Ministers of the Gospel in this Province to compose a Form of  
Prayer suitable to the Occasion to be used in their respective Churches & Chapels & other Places of Publick  
Worship and that hence they give Publick & timely Notice throughout their respective Parishes And I do  
hereby strictly charge & command that the said Day of Publick Thanksgiving be Religiously observed by all  
his Majesty's Subjects of this Province And I do hereby likewise command the several Sheriffs of this Provin-  
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 25<sup>th</sup> Day of February in the ninth Year  
of his Lordships Dominion Anno Domini 1760.

Thos B. Com.