

I have said all might God of his Infinite Mercy
far beyond our Deserts to without and without
the violence and Separation thereof. To the End
Therefore that our most sincere and devout thank
and Acknowledgements of such his Gracious Mercy may
be duly rendered. I Do by and with the Advice of
his Majesty his Council, prolegues, publish and
Command all and singular his Majesty's good Subjects
the Inhabitants of this Province that they
religiously set apart and observe Thursday
the 17th of August next ensuing as a Day of
Thanksgiving for such the great Mercy of Almighty
God in touching to Squall a Delaware and
And that the said Day and duty thereof may
be the more religiously and devoutly observed
upon this Occasion - I do in his Majesty's Name -
Strictly Charge and command the severall
Ministers of the respective parishes in the
severall Counties within this Province to performe
Divine Service on that Day. And the severall
Parishioners to attend the said Service & Duty
And that they absteyne from all bodily Labour
on that Day as they will. Answer the contrary
at their perill. And to the End that all persons
may have due Notice thereof I command the
severall Sheriffs to make publick this my
Proclamation to be given and myne hand
the great Seale of this his Majesty's Province the
22nd Day of July in the 1st year of his Majesty
James the first Anno Dni 1609 W. Bick. Secy
God save the King -