

Prohibiting the Governour to displace any of them without just cause represented to her Majesty. We do not take what is offered from your House as an Aggravation to be a sufficient reason to displace any of them without some particular Misdemeanours in their Office assigned against them which we shall at all times be ready to hear

We cannot but repent your saying you had very freely consented to charge your selves and the people you represent with very great summes for our Attendance in Council which you affect to be the great cause of calling us together — And absolutely deny an Imputation so untrue and unworthy of your representative Body which her Majestys severall Comands layd before you this Session and the absolute necessity of Enacting and revising some good Laws for the preservation and welfare of the Province plainly demonstrates many Councils this year having been Occasioned by her Majestys Expectation design'd against Canada as they burthen the Country with charge so have they been to our fatigues and loss in our private affairs — And as for your threats of going home without discharging the publick charge you must believe it will as little affect this Board as the Members of your House, But if the Province in the condition it now is surrounded with Enemies should suffer for want of the good Laws now enacted especially that regulating the Militia, and be burthend with another speedy Assembly lett it be at your Doors

We are sorry the defence which we have and always shall pay to her Majestys Royall Comands and instructions is taken for a slighting your House and loading you and your posterity into very great inconveniency and tho' we shall always show a great regard for the welfare of this Province (in which we as great an Interest as any) and to you their Representatives — yett at the same time you must give us leave to assert our Duty to her Majesty the Honour of this Board and our own Reputation

Signed & order W. Bladen C. Coum

Which being read and debated in the House

Resolved the following Message be again sent to their House

By the House of Delegates 3. Novemb. 1711

We are sorry your Honors misstrus our address and may well be ignorant of your having commands not to displace