

& so we enjoin, require, and command, shall be most absolute & available in Law, & that all the Liege-People, and subjects. of us, our Heirs and Successors, do observe & keep the same inviolably, in those parts, so far as they concern them, under the pains therein expressed, or to be expressed: ~~Provided nevertheless, that~~ *So that* the said laws be consonant to Reason, and be not repugnant or contrary, but as near as conveniently may be, agreeable to the laws, Statutes, Customs and rights of this Our Kingdom of *England*.

And forasmuch, as in the Government of so great a Province, sudden Accidents do often happen, whereunto it will be necessary to apply a Remedy, before the Freeholders of the said Province, their Delegates, or Deputies, can be assembled to the making of laws, neither will it be convenient, that instantly upon every such emergent Occasion so great a Multitude should be called together, therefore for the better Government of the said Province, we will and ordain, & by these presents for us, our Heirs & Successors, do grant unto the said now Lord *Baltimore*, and his heirs, that the said now Lord *Baltimore*, & his heirs, by themselves, or by their Magistrates and Officers in that Behalf duely to be ordained as aforesaid, may make and constitute, fit and wholesome Ordinances, from Time to Time, within the said Province, to be kept