

Struggle in which your Majesty is engaged against the Common Enemy.

Signed and sealed with the Seals of the said Towns in our Name and Presence, and by our Appointment, in Council assembled within the Council-Chamber thereof, the 25th Day of October 1809. *John Smith, Eldest Bailie.*

[Transmitted by *Alexander Watson, Esq; Town-Clerk*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Lord Rector, Vice-Chancellor, Dean of Faculties, Principal and Professors of the University of Glasgow.

*May it please your Majesty,*

WE, your Majesty's most loyal and most dutiful Subjects, the Lord Rector, Vice-Chancellor, Dean of Faculties, Principal and Professors of the University of Glasgow, in Senate assembled, humbly beg Leave to approach the Throne with the profoundest Sentiments of Gratitude to Almighty God for his great Mercy to these Realms, in preserving, during a long and arduous Reign, a Sovereign who has uniformly been the Guardian of our Religion and Liberties; the Patron of Learning and of the Arts; and who at the same Time has exhibited a shining Example of sincere Piety, as well as of public and private Virtue.

Deeply impressed with the Value of our inestimable Privileges, as Subjects of the British Empire, and amidst the insolent Threats of our Enemies, rejoicing in the Security which we continue to enjoy under your Majesty's wise and vigorous Government, we, on this Day of general Exultation throughout your Dominions, feel ourselves constrained by Sentiments of Duty and Affection to the best of Sovereigns, to testify our heartfelt Congratulations on your Entrance upon the Fiftieth Year of your important Reign; and humbly to assure your Majesty, that we most cordially join the Public Voice in offering up our fervent Prayers to the Supreme Disposer of Events, that he may continue to bless your Councils, and prosper your Enterprizes; that he may shield your sacred Person, and prolong your valuable Life to rule over us, and that, when full of Days, you shall be gathered to your Fathers, you may wear a Crown of Glory that fadeth not away.

Done in the Senate House of the University, and signed in our Name, and by our Appointment, by the Lord Rector; the Seal of the University being also affixed, this 25th October 1809. *Ar. Colquhoun, Rector.*

[Transmitted by the *Duke of Montrose.*]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful Subjects, the Magistrates and Town-Council of Greenock, in Common Council assembled, beg to present to your Majesty the Homage of our most profound Respect and Regard.

We feel strongly that the Day on which your Majesty enters on the Fiftieth Year of your Reign well deserves neither to be unnoticed nor treated with Indifference by any of your Subjects; not inferior to any of whom in Loyalty, we hasten to offer to your Majesty our sincerest Congratulations on an Event so seldom permitted in the Course of

Human Life, and so full of Honour to your Majesty's Virtues. It is impossible to look back on so long a Period distinguished, under the Divine Favour, by one uniform Tenor of the most worthy and estimable Conduct on the Part of your Majesty, without our Hearts being filled with Emotions of the most genuine Gratitude and Affection. Justly, indeed, have you rendered yourself the most popular Person in the Kingdom. While we are deeply impressed with the highest Veneration for your Majesty, we consider it not less due to your exalted Character, than peculiarly incumbent on ourselves to pay the Tribute of our unalterable Attachment to those admirable public Principles which first gave your Majesty's illustrious Family so important a Place in the Constitution of this Country, and upon the enlightened, vigorous, and faithful Exercise of which, its Stability, its Glory, and its Happiness, alike depend; these Principles we are proud to avow it is our earnest Desire to cherish and defend.

The astonishing political Changes which have recently taken place in the World, and those with which it is yet threatened, force serious Reflection on the most inconsiderate; they are eminently calculated to render, if possible, still more dear to Britons the Spirit of their Government, and the Excellence of their Laws.

We have ventured to express our Duty to your Majesty under the warm Feelings so congenial to us on this memorable Day, yet we are conscious no base Spirit of Adulation can be imputed to us.

We humbly renew to your Majesty the Firm Assurances of our unceasing Esteem, and our most ardent Wishes for the Honour, the Prosperity, and Happiness of your Majesty's Family and Government.

Signed, in our Name, and by our Appointment, by our Chief Magistrate, and sealed with our Corporation Seal, this 25th Day of October, in the Year of our Lord 1809.

*Hugh Craufurd.*

[Transmitted by *Lord Cathcart.*]

Unto the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Magistrates and Town-Council, Incorporated Trades, and other Inhabitants, of your Majesty's Royal Burgh of Kirkcudbright in a General Meeting assembled, humbly presume to approach the Throne, and upon this auspicious Day, the Fiftieth Anniversary of your Majesty's Reign, to offer our most sincere and heartfelt Congratulations.

Endeared to your Subjects by your wise and just Government for a Period approaching to half a Century, we ardently implore that your Majesty's most invaluable Life may be long preserved for a Blessing to your People, and that the Sceptre of these Realms may be swayed by a Prince of your illustrious House to the latest Posterity.

Signed in our Name and in our Presence this 25th October, in the Year 1809.

*John Henderson, Chief Magistrate.*

[Transmitted by *Lord Selkirk.*]