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To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, under deep Concern for the unexpected Death of our late most gracious King your Royal Father, beg Leave to approach your sacred Person with our most sincere Congratulations upon your Majesty's peaceful and happy Succession to the Throne of your Royal Ancestors; and with great Joy to acknowledge this to be a signal Instance of the Divine Favour, that the Throne is thereby fill'd with a Prince desirous above all things to make us a great and happy People.

The only Pleasances your Majesty made for the Protestant Religion and Liberties of Europe, your most prudent and mild Administration when Regent of the Kingdom, the distinguishing Love and Affection you have all along shewn to these Kingdoms, and your fix'd Resolution to preserve the Constitution in Church and State inviolable in all its Parts, give us an assured Prospect of a most happy Reign.

We embrace this Occasion to beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that we shall ever be ready to sacrifice our Lives and Fortunes in Defence of your sacred Person and Government, against a Popish Pretender, and all others who may attempt to disturb the Peace of this Realm, or other your Majesty's Dominions.

That your Reign may be long and prosperous over us; that the best of Blessings may be poured down upon your Royal Consort our gracious Queen, and your Royal Issue; and that to latest Posterity there may never be wanting one of your illustrious Family to sway the Scepter over these Nations, are the most sincere and ardent Wishes of,

Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects.

The following humble Address of the Noblemen, Justices of the Peace, and Heretors of the Shire of Linlithgow or West-Lothian, has been presented to His Majesty by the Right Honourable the Earl of Hopton, introduced by the Right Honourable the Lord Paget Lord of the Bedchamber to His Majesty in waiting. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
*Most Gracious Sovereign,*

**W**E your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, upon the sudden and unexpected Demise of our late most gracious Sovereign your Royal Father, whose Memory will be always sacred and grateful to future Ages for his Wisdom and Fatherly Care of his People, and for his steady and unwearied Prosecution of the Peace and true Interest of Europe,

Do with all Humility beg Leave to express our great Sense of the Goodness of Almighty God towards these Lands, who has prepared a Prince to fill his Throne and that of your

Royal Ancestors, distinguished by all the Kingly Qualities which promise Peace, Prosperity, and Honour to a Nation.

Your Majesty's known Love of Justice; your true and distinguishing Knowledge of Men and Things, and Concern for our Religious and Civil Rights, supported by an uncommon and approv'd Valour, are such Pledges of Success and Glory to your Undertakings, as must fill the Hearts of all your Subjects with Joy, Hope and Confidence, and draw that Assurance from them, which we now humbly offer, of our unfeign'd Love and Affection to your sacred Person and Royal Family, and of our fix'd and steady Resolution to defend with our Lives and Fortunes your Majesty's Government, against all the Attempts of your Enemies Foreign and Domestick.

That God may long preserve your sacred Person, inspire your Counsels and crown them with Success, bless your Royal Consort our gracious Queen, the happy Mother of a numerous and Royal Issue; and that He may protect and guide his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and all the rest of the Royal Family, is the sincere and unfeign'd Prayer of,

May it please your Majesty,  
Your Majesty's most loyal, most dutiful, and most faithful Subjects and Servants.

The following humble Address of the Lord Lieutenant, High Sheriff, and Justices of the Peace of the County of Kincairden, assembled at the Head Burgh of the said County, upon the 18th Day of July 1727, has been presented to His Majesty by Colonel Scott, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Chesterfield Lord of the Bed-Chamber to His Majesty in waiting. Which Address His Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,  
*May it please your Majesty,*

**W**E your Majesty's most loyal and faithful Subjects, do beg Leave to condole with your Majesty the great Loss you suffer by the Death of your Royal Father our late Sovereign, which does much affect us and all your good Subjects.

Nothing could give us Hopes of seeing his mild and wise Government supplied, but your Majesty's succeeding to him, and to the Imperial Crown of your Royal Ancestors, which we wish may long flourish under your Majesty's Administration with Success and Glory to yourself, and to the British Nation: This we cannot doubt of, when we have your Royal Word from the Throne, that your Majesty will be pleased to think, that the Love of your People will be the best Support and Security of it, and that it will be your Majesty's constant Care to preserve the Constitution in Church and State.

We cannot have the least Diffidence of the Happiness that will attend your Majesty's Reign, if we remember the Time of your Majesty's Regency in your Royal Father's Absence; it gives us and all your Subjects the strongest