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**T**HE following Address having been transmitted to his Excellency the Lord Carteret Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has by him been presented to His Majesty. Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Sheriffs, Aldermen, Burgesses, Grand-Jury, and Freemen of the Town and County of Carrickfergus, at a General Quarter-Sessions of the Peace held for the said Town and County, the 17th Day of July, 1727.

*May it please your Majesty,*

**W**E humbly beg Leave to embrace this first Opportunity of presenting to your most sacred Majesty our most sincere and affectionate Expressions of Condolance on the Death of your late Royal Father, of blessed Memory; whose Loss, as your Majesty alone was capable of repairing, so our Grief on that sorrowful and unexpected Occasion, could never have been so happily prevented, as by your Majesty's peaceable and joyful Accession to the Throne of your Royal Ancestors.

While it is our Duty to congratulate your Majesty on those uncommon Marks of Joy and Affection with which you have been received by the united Voices of all your People, permit us at the same time to felicitate ourselves and Fellow-Subjects on the Enjoyment of a Prince, indued with all those Royal Virtues that are capable of rendring your People, what your Majesty has declared it to be your first and chief Concern to make them, great and happy.

When we reflect on that early Virtue which led you in the Fields of Death and Danger to appear for the common Liberties of Europe, your Majesty's most gracious Declarations to your Council and Parliament in Behalf of those of your own People, cannot but be looked upon by us as one of the greatest Securities we can possibly have for our peaceable Enjoyment of them; especially when we are

taught to know, that those great and truly Royal Expressions have flowed from nothing else but a pure and generous Love to the Laws and Constitution of the British Nations; which as they are a System of Rules founded on the common Rights and Interests of Mankind, and calculated to make Power as amiable as it is awful; so we are confident your Royal Dispositions to maintain and support them, cannot fail to make your Majesty great and glorious, since they must endear you to all the wise and the virtuous of your People, to all that have any Sense of Love to their Country, or of Honour and Gratitude to so gracious and excellent a Prince.

Your Majesty's wise Resolutions of pursuing the prudent and vigorous Measures already entered into for preserving the publick Tranquillity, and for securing to the British Nations those Acquisitions that are the Trophies of the Deliverance of Europe by their victorious Arms; as they give us the highest Ideas of your Majesty's Wisdom and Care of your People, so they raise in us the brightest Hopes of the Glory and Prosperity of your Majesty's Reign, which we humbly beseech the Father and Benefactor of Mankind to make as long as the Beginning of it hath been auspicious.

But our Happiness still grows upon us, when we behold your Royal Throne surrounded with such a numerous and hopeful Off-spring, which lengthens out the Prospect of our Joys into future Ages, and promises us that they are like to be as lasting as great; for what may not be expected from a Race of Princes, whose Minds are to be formed by one, who has Himself been so shining an Example of Virtue and Goodness as your Royal Consort, and is so capable of inspiring into them the same noble and exalted Sentiments.

Words are wanting to express all that we feel in the Contemplation of so much Felicity to ourselves and Posterity. All that remains for us is to wish and pray, that we, and all our Fellow-Subjects, may prove ourselves worthy of it, by all those Returns of Loyalty and Gratitude to your Majesty, that are incumbent on a dutiful and obedient People.

The following humble Address of the High Sheriff, Grand Jury, and other Gentlemen