

that such a Design is actually formed by the ancient Enemies of these Kingdoms, we, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lord Bishop, Lord Lieutenant, Gentry, Clergy and Freeholders of the County Palatine of Durham, beg Leave to declare our just Abhorrence of the Enterprize, and to assure your Majesty, that the Defence of your Person and Government, and Support of the Protestant Succession, are so sacred to us, that we shall, with the warmest Zeal, use our best Endeavours, in our several Stations, to support your Majesty, in the most effectual Manner, on this insolent and daring Attempt, and pursue the most vigorous Methods in our Power, for the total Disappointment of all the Enemies to your Majesty's Crown and Dignity: Neither can we make any Doubt, but that your Majesty will see such a prevailing Spirit, and so dutiful a Zeal, among all your faithful Subjects, as will abundantly testify their real Sense of their Blessings under your mild and gracious Government, their Affection to your Sacred Person, and their inviolable Attachment to the Interests of your Royal Family.

The following Address of the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Durham, and Borough of Framwelgate, has 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, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of Durham, and Borough of Framwelgate.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, being truly sensible of the many Blessings derived to these Kingdoms from your Majesty's mild and auspicious Government, the Continuance of which depends upon preserving the Protestant Succession in your Majesty's most illustrious House, humbly beg Leave to express our Indignation and Repentment on Account of the insolent Threatnings of an intended Invasion by the French.

Your Majesty's tender and paternal Regard for the Safety and Happiness of your Subjects, during the Course of your Reign, hath, upon every Occasion, been signally manifested by the wise and prudent Counsels pursued by your Majesty for those Ends and Purposes.

We, with Hearts warmed with a grateful Sense of your unwearied Attention to the Welfare of your People, acknowledge our unfeigned Thanks to be due to your Majesty for the Increase of your Forces: And we beg Leave to assure your Majesty, that we will, with our Lives and Fortunes, cheerfully endeavour to support and execute all such Measures as your Majesty shall take for the necessary Defence of the undoubted Rights and Possessions of your Crown.

May the Great God long preserve your Majesty's most Sacred Person, give Victory to your Fleets and Armies, Crown your Councils with Success, and grant your Majesty long to reign over a People, manifesting their Merit to Freedom and Happiness by their Duty and Loyalty to your Majesty.

The following Address of the Mayor, Sheriff, Citizens and Commonalty of the City of Lincoln, has been presented 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, Sheriff, Citizens and Commonalty of the City of Lincoln, in Common Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

AMONG the daily Addressees of your loyal Subjects, permit the Mayor, Sheriff, Citizens and Commonalty of your faithful City of Lincoln, in Common Council assembled, to approach your Throne, and testify our Duty and Gratitude for your Protection of our Trade and Commerce, and the Rights and Possessions of your Crown, with our utmost Abhorrence of the projected Revenge of your Enemies.

With the strongest Professions of Affection to your Majesty, give us Leave to assure you, that, on all Occasions, we are ready to exert ourselves vigorously and effectually in Defence of your Sacred Person and Government; being certain that, under God, by your Vigilance, Wisdom, and firm Resolution, the insidious Designs of your Enemies will be frustrated, and our Religion and Liberties be preserved to the latest Posterity.

Given under our Common Seal, this Twenty First Day of April, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Six.

The following Address of the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Oxford, has 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, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Oxford, in the County of Oxford, in Common Council assembled.

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Bailiffs and Commonalty of the City of Oxford, in the County of Oxford, in Common Council assembled, humbly beg Leave to express our Detestation of the ambitious Designs of France, in projecting an hostile Invasion upon your Majesty's Dominions in Europe, in order to support her Encroachments upon the just Rights of your Majesty, and your Subjects, in America.

Your Majesty's constant Application and Dispatch in providing Means for removing the Encroachments, and resisting the Power and Hostilities of this ambitious Neighbour, will be a lasting Monument of your Majesty's great Conduct, Wisdom, and Resolution, as well as of that strict Attention to the Preservation of the Rights of your People, which your Majesty has always exercised through the whole Course of your Reign.

We are too sensible of the many Blessings we enjoy from your Majesty's mild and auspicious Government, not to be fired with the warmest Zeal and Repentment against any Attempt to destroy or disturb our National Happiness. And

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