

rough of Leicester, in Common Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common Council of the Borough of Leicester, beg Leave to approach your Sacred Person, to return your Majesty our most unfeigned Thanks for the great and wise Provision you have made to defend all Parts of your Dominions from the Insults and Encroachments of a Prince, envious of the Liberties and Religion we have for so many Years, so fully and without Interruption, enjoyed under your happy Government.

When we consider the many and great Blessings of which we are possessed, and set against them the Fires, Racks and Exile your Subjects must suffer, should your Enemies prevail; we cannot but assure your Majesty of our inviolable Fidelity; and that we shall cheerfully submit to whatever your Majesty and your Parliament shall think necessary to strengthen your Hands, that you may long reign over a free and obedient People: That all your Subjects may, with one Heart, and one Voice, declare they will not be Slaves, and act up with Vigour to that Declaration.

That your Enemies may feel the Weight of a Free Protestant People fighting for their Liberties and Religion; and that your Majesty may long reign over us, and transmit to your latest Posterity the Government of a Free Protestant People, is our daily and hearty Prayer.

Given under our Common Seal, the Twenty First Day of April, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Six.

The following Address of the Mayor, Capital Burgeses and Assistants of the Corporation of Tiverton, has been presented to His Majesty: Which Address his Majesty was pleased to receive very graciously.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Capital Burgeses and Assistants of the Corporation of Tiverton, beg Leave to approach your Royal Throne, with Hearts full of Gratitude, to express our deepest Sense of the great and innumerable Benefits we have and do receive under your wise and equal Government, the Indignation we feel at the threatened Attacks of an Imperious Neighbour, and the entire Satisfaction we have in that provident and generous Care your Majesty has been pleased to take for our Protection.

If your Majesty's Preparations, and the Voice and Spirit of the People, do not deter the Enemy from prosecuting so bold an Undertaking; we most humbly presume to assure your Majesty, that we, for our Part, and do not doubt but the rest of your Subjects, are firmly resolved to defend your Majesty, and our Country, at every Hazard; and shall think nothing too much to sacrifice to those invaluable Blessings of Liberty, and Trade, its natural Effects, and best Security, and to your Sacred Person, and Royal Family, on whom they must finally depend.

Given under our Seal, the 17th of April, 1756.

The following Address of the High Steward, Recorder, Bayliffs and Capital Burgeses of the Borough of Bridport, 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 High Steward, Recorder, Bayliffs and Capital Burgeses of the Borough of Bridport in the County of Dorset.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the High Steward, Recorder, Bayliffs and Capital Burgeses of the Borough of Bridport, being most sensibly affected with the ambitious and unjust Designs of the Court of France, humbly beg Leave, at this critical and important Conjunction, to assure your Majesty of our most sincere Affection and Fidelity to your Majesty's Person and Government, the Protestant Religion, and to the Succession in your Royal Family, for whose Preservation and Support we shall gratefully and readily hazard our Lives and Fortunes: And may the King of Kings protect your Sacred Person, prosper your Arms, prolong your Reign, and continue the Blessings of it in your Royal Descendants to our latest Posterity.

The following Address of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of King's Lynn in Norfolk, 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, Aldermen, and Common Council of King's Lynn in Norfolk, in Council assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE the Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the Borough of King's Lynn, humbly beg Leave to join with the rest of your Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, in expressing our Abhorrence of that Design, which the French Court has been meditating and forming to invade Great Britain and Ireland in an hostile Manner; a Design most insolent and unjust, founded in Revenge for your Majesty's seasonable and effectual Defence of the indisputable Rights and Possessions of your Crown, and for your gracious Care and Protection of the commercial Interest of your Subjects at Home and Abroad. Sensible of the inestimable Blessings these Kingdoms enjoy under your Majesty's mild and auspicious Reign, and touched with a just Repentment at such faithless Proceedings of our inveterable Enemies; we most humbly assure your Majesty, that no Body of Men are more firmly attached, or inspired with greater Loyalty to your Sacred Person, than this your Majesty's ancient Corporation; and that we will exert, and use all our Power and Influence, and hazard our Lives and Fortunes, to support your Majesty against that perfidious Court, whose wicked Attempts have been hitherto frustrated, and will, we trust, by your Majesty's Wisdom, with the Providence of the Divine Goodness, be ever defeated.

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

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