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THE following Address of the Ministers and Elders of the Synod of Aberdeen, having been transmitted to the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Holderness, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, 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 Ministers and Elders of the Synod of Aberdeen.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WITH Hearts deeply sensible of the Happiness which we enjoy under your Majesty's truly paternal Administration, and full of Gratitude to God for the singular Prosperity of our Country, with which it has pleased him to mark your auspicious Reign, we the Ministers and Elders of the Synod of Aberdeen, beg Leave to join with our fellow Subjects, in dutiful Expressions of our Joy on account of the Successes great, numerous and unexampled, which have, by the Blessing of the Almighty, attended your Majesty's Arms, wherever they have been employed, in an uninterrupted Series, from the important Acquisition of Cape Breton, to the late decisive Victory over the whole naval Power of France. This, we hope, has effectually baffled the last Effort of a desperate Enemy to fully your Majesty's Glory and to distress your Subjects, whose Happiness you study to promote, with so tender and constant Care.

We lift up our Hearts continually in Thanksgiving to that God, whose Providence your Majesty proudly acknowledges in all your Victories: But while we own his supreme Providence, we cannot overlook the immediate Causes of the Happiness and Glory of our Country; the uniform Integrity of your Majesty's Intentions; your Care to chuse the wisest Counsellors, and to employ only the most skilful and brave Commanders; your uninterrupted Attention to every Method of protecting all the Parts of your Dominions, of frustrating all the Designs of your Enemies, and of annoying them in every Quarter.

Your Majesty's constant Vigilance and extensive Designs for the Happiness of your own Kingdoms have not diverted you from equal Concern for the common Interests of the Protestant Religion, and for the Support of your heroic Ally the King of Prussia, whom God has hitherto enabled, by the Strength of his Right Hand, in so surprising and unparalleled a Manner, to oppose the united Power of all his Enemies.

Permit us likewise to observe, that the Wisdom with which your Majesty's Designs have been formed, and the Vigour with which they have been executed, are not more eminent than the Humanity, which has continually inspired them: Humanity worthy of a King, who is the Guardian of the Liberties of his People, and worthy of a Cause so just and glorious, as that wherein your Majesty has drawn the Sword, and which has reflected new Lustre on all your Conquests. While your Fleets and Armies have been triumphing in every Part of the World, your Royal Breast has felt the Miseries of Mankind, and, not satisfied with alleviating them as much as possible through the whole Course of the War, you have always expressed your hearty Desire to put a speedy Stop to the Effusion of Christian

Blood, and have with a rare Magnanimity, which must command the Admiration of Mankind, generously offered Peace to your vanquished Foes.

With unspeakable Pleasure we observe that the Justice and Clemency of your Majesty's Administration, the illustrious Success of your Arms, and the wise Policy, which you have pursued in employing in your Service so many of your Subjects in this Part of your Dominions, have produced an uncommon Degree of Love to our excellent Constitution, and of Loyalty to your Majesty's Person and Government, Dispositions essential in the Religion of a British Protestant, which it has always been our Care to propagate, to the utmost of our Power, among the People committed to our Charge, and which it shall always be our Endeavour to fix deeper and to spread wider.

It is our constant and earnest Prayer to God, that his Omnipotence may continue to crown your Majesty's Arms with signal Success, while War is necessary; that he may soon grant a Peace glorious to your Majesty, honourable and advantageous to Britain, and highly favourable to your Majesty's Allies and the Protestant Cause, established on a permanent Foundation; that he may permit your happy Subjects to enjoy long the Blessings of your Majesty's Government; that he may after many Years, reward your royal Virtues with an everlasting Crown; and that your Descendants may to all Generations sit upon the Throne of these Kingdoms, and inherit your Virtues, and reign, like your Majesty, in the Hearts of a loyal, a flourishing and happy People.

Signed in Name, Presence, and by Appointment of the Synod, at Aberdeen, the 19th of December 1759, by

Alex. Gerard, Moderator.

The following Address of the Principal and Masters of the University and King's College of Aberdeen, having been transmitted to the Right Honourable the Earl of Holderness, one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, 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 Principal and Masters of the University and King's College of Aberdeen.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE the Members of this your ancient University, being deeply sensible of the Blessings we enjoy under your auspicious Government, beg Leave, with all Humility, to congratulate your Majesty on the present happy Situation of publick Affairs, and to express our Gratitude for the paternal Care, which your Majesty has manifested, for the Welfare and Happiness of your Subjects during this dangerous and bloody War.

When we consider the formidable Alliance which threatened the Protestant Religion and the Liberties of Europe, we cannot but admire the Magnanimity and uncommon Spirit, which your Majesty, in Conjunction with your heroic Ally the King of Prussia, has exerted for the Defence and Protection of your Subjects.

We adore the remarkable and striking Appearances of the Divine Providence, which have crowned the Endeavours of your Majesty with a Train of such remarkable Successes, as will distinguish this Period in the British Annals with uncommon Glory.

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