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By His Excellency Horatio Sharpe Esq^r Governor and
Commander in Chief in and over the Province of Maryland

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A Proclamation

Whereas I have received his Majesty's Commands Signified to me by the Right Honourable the Earl of Egremont's letter that I should Require and Command his Majesty's Subjects within this Province to do their Duty in the several Stations within this Province to take care to prevent any Mischief which they may otherwise suffer from the subjects of the King of Spain, with whom he is now at War, And that they may Do their Duty in their Several Stations to distress and Annoy the Subjects of the said King of Spain, And that His Majesty would have me to be very Rigorous and severe in preventing any Provisions Ammunition or Stores of any Kind from being Carried to them And that I use all proper Methods that may be most Effectual for that purpose,

I do therefore with the Advice of his Lordship's Council of State, pursuant to his Majesty's Commands by this my Proclamation require and Command his Majesty's Subjects under my Government to take Effectual care that they suffer no mischief from the Subjects of the said King of Spain with whom his Majesty is now at War, And that they Severally do their Duty in their Respective Stations to distress and annoy as p. 332 Enemies the Subjects of Spain, And I do hereby Command and Injoin that no Provisions Ammunitions or Stores of any kind be by any of the People of this Province carried to any of the Subjects of the said King of Spain And I do hereby require the Collectors of his Majesty's Customs the Naval Officers and all other Officers Whatsoever to be very diligent in their Several Stations in order to prevent or discover any such Practice

And Whereas his Majesty hath been Pleased to order Letters of Marque and Commissions to Privateers to be granted in the usual manner I do therefore hereby notify to all his Majesty's Subjects that for their Security and the better to annoy and distress the Subjects of the said King of Spain Letters of Marque and Commissions for Privateers will be granted to any of his Majesty's Subjects who shall apply for the same in the Usual manner.

Given at the City of Annapolis this 20th Day of April
Annoq Domini 1762.