

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

We are particularly commanded by the King to return you His Thanks, for those ample Supplies, which you have so freely and unanimously given. His Majesty grieves for the Burdens of His People; but your Readiness in supporting the War is the most probable Means the sooner to deliver you from it. You may be assured, that nothing will be wanting, on His Majesty's Part, to secure the most frugal Management.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

His Majesty has directed us to repeat His Recommendation to you, to promote Harmony and good Agreement amongst His faithful Subjects; and to make the Uprightness and Purity of His Intentions and Measures rightly understood. Exert yourselves in maintaining the Peace and good Order of the Country, by enforcing Obedience to the Laws and lawful Authority; and by making the People sensible, how much they hurt their own true Interest by the contrary Practice.

For their Sakes, the King has commanded us to press this upon you; for their true Interest and Happiness are His Majesty's great and constant Object.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament
was read.

After which the Lord Keeper said;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

BY virtue of His Majesty's Commission under the Great Seal to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in His Majesty's Name, and in Obedience to His Commands, *prorogue* this Parliament to Thursday the Third Day of August next, to be then here held; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Thursday the Third Day of August next.