

of having on Board, either some of his own miserable Protestant Subjects, or their Effects. And lastly, as he has for some years last past, endeavoured by Insinuations and Promises of Assistance, to overthrow the Government of *England*; so now by open and violent Methods, and the actual Invasion of Our Kingdom of *Ireland*, in support of our Subjects in Arms and in Rebellion against Us, he is promoting the utter Extirpation of our good and loyal Subjects in that our Kingdom.

Being therefore thus necessitated to take up Arms, and relying on the Help of Almighty God in our just Undertaking, We have thought fit to Declare and do hereby Declare War against the *French King*, and that We will, in Conjunction with our Allies, vigorously prosecute the same by Sea and Land (since he hath so unrighteously begun it) being assured of the hearty Concurrence and Assistance of our Subjects in support of so good a Cause; hereby willing and requiring our General of our Forces, our Commissioners for executing the Office of High Admiral, our Lieutenants of our several Counties, Governours of our Ports and Garisons, and all other Officers and Soldiers under them by Sea and Land, to do, and execute all acts of Hostility in the Prosecution of this War against the *French King*, his Vassals and Subjects, and to oppose their Attempts: Willing and Requiring all our Subjects to take notice of the same, whom we henceforth strictly forbid to hold any Correspondence or Communication with the said *French King*, or his Subjects. And because there are remaining in our Kingdoms many of the Subjects of the *French King*, We do Declare and give our Royal Word, That all such of the *French Nation* as shall demean themselves dutifully towards us, and not correspond with our Enemies, shall be safe in their Persons and Estates, and free from all molestation and trouble of any kind.

*Given at our Court at Hampton-Court the 7th day of May, 1689.
in the first Year of our Reign.*

God save King William and Queen Mary.

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