

de Renuncia, ni Retrocesion, pues comence la razon de su permanencia, laque motiva el admittirle, formandose una Constitucion fundamental que regle con ley inalterable la Subcesion de lo por venir, he deliverado en consecuencia de lo referido, y por el amor à los Españoles, y conocimiento de lo que al fuyo devo, y las repetidas experiencias de su Fidelidad, y por retribuir à la Divina providencia con la Resignacion a su destino el gran veneficio de haver me colocado y mantenido en el Trono de tan illustres y venemeritos vasallos el abdicar por mi, y todos mis Descendientes el derecho de subceder en la Corona de *Francia*, desseando no apartarme de vivir y morir con mis amados, y fielas *Espanoles*, dejando a toda mi descendencia el vinculo inseparable de su Fidelidad y amor; y para que esta deliveracion tenga el devido effecto, y cese el que se hà considerado uno de los principales motivos de la Guerra, que hasta aqui hà affligido a la *Europa*; De mi proprio motu, libre, espontanea, y grata voluntad, yo Don *Phelipe* por la Gracia de Dios, Rey de *Castilla*, de *Leon*, de *Ara-*

*Successionem* in futurum præscribat. Pro ratione igitur supra, relati, & amoris quo *Hispanos* grato animo prosequor, & iterata eorum Fidelitatis experientia Causa, & ut summum beneficium a Deo collatum, me in folio tam illustrium & benè meritorum Vasallorum collocasse, & sustinuisse Divina retribuam Providentia cum Inclinatione ad ejus Decreta, Decrevi pro me, & omnibus meis Descendentibus juri Coronæ *Gallia* renunciare, cupiens cum meis caris fideisque *Hispanis* vivere & mori, & ab iis nunquam discedere, Fidelitatis & Amoris eorum inseparabile vinculum Descendentibus meis transmittendo. Et ut hoc meum propositum debitum fortietur effectum, utque evanescat ea, quæ principalis habita fuit Causa Belli, quod hucusque *Europam* vexavit; motu proprio, libera, spontanea & gratâ voluntate, Ego Dominus *Philippus*, Dei Gratia, Rex *Castiliae*, *Legionis*, *Arragonia*, utriusque *Sicilia*, *Hierosolymæ*, *Navarrae*, *Granata*, *Tolleti*, *Valencia*, *Gallacia*, *Majorica*, *Hispalis*, *Sardinia*, *Cordubæ*, *Corfica*, *Murcia*, *Giennæ*, *Algarbia*, *Algezi-ræ*, *Gibraltarie*, *Canariarum*, *Indiarum Orientalium*

posaf of any of the Parties to alter this Federal Equilibrium by way of any Contract of Renunciation, or Retrocession, since the same reason, which induced its being admitted, demonstrates its permanency, a fundamental Constitution being formed, which may settle by an unalterable Law the Succession of what is to come. In consequence of what is above-said, and for the Love I bear to the *Spaniards*, and from the Knowledge I have of what I ow to them, and the repeated Experience of their Fidelity, and for making a return to Divine Providence, by this Resignation to its Destiny, for the great benefit of having placed and maintained me on the Throne among such Illustrious and well-deserving Vassals, I have determined to abdicate, for my self, and all my Descendants, the Right of Succeeding to the Crown of *France*, desiring not to depart from Living and Dying with my beloved and faithful *Spaniards*; leaving to all my Descendants the inseparable Bond of their Fidelity and Love. And to the end that this Resolution may have its due effect, and that the matter may cease, which has been