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We (Who have y^e Honour to be of y^e L^ds Council of State, for y^e Province of Maryland) think our selves in Duty bound to Acknowledge y^e L^ds goodness in Commanding us to desist from taking y^e claim thereon of the hands of Tho: Brooke Esqr and placeing it upon Charles Calvert Esqr such Condescending Ways of Cultivating a good Understanding wth ye Council here, cannot but be most Acceptable to us all and Exacts our hearty thanks for it as well as for ye L^ds Choice of a Govr to be ye L^d and chief Govern^r over this province, who, as ye L^d is pleased to intimate to us, hath given such early proofs of his kind inclinations and hearty Endeavours for ye Good of Maryland by doing w^t in him lay to [illegible] ye Interest of ye Proprietor wth ye Peace of ye People such having been his Practices all ready before he came among Us, ~~confirmed by his Extraordinary Prudence and prudent Conduct since his Arrival~~, we doubt: a great deal of Assurance promise our Selves y^t he will build upon ye same foundation that and [illegible]

[illegible]

Assure ye L^d [illegible] ye Malicious designs and Insinuations [illegible] Endeavouring to Create a misunderstanding [illegible] ye good People of Maryland [illegible] never labour'd to such mean Thoughts of [illegible] to believe [illegible] designed to Create