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Mr Speaker & the Members of the House of Delegates came up to the Councill Chamber Where the President Bespake them as followeth

Viz ~~Hon~~ Mr Speaker & Gent

of the House of Delegates We have thought this yeare convenient yeare to call you together, chiefly to consider and assist the publique Charge of ye present yeare, which We hope will not long detayne you from your respective Family's.

Gent. As We are enjoyned by her most Sacred Maty Royall Instructions not to enter upon things of great moment in the absence of a Governor Chiefe but what are absolutely necessary for the peace of the Province (which We must thank Allmighty God for it entirely well preserved) so We shall be very tender of ~~paying~~ not the strictest obedience thereto, tho allways ready to joyn with your house in concerting such speeche & requisite Matters as may conduce to ye preservation of the peace & be reasonably proposed by you for ye Benefitt & advantage of those you represent ever having a due Regard to her Maties said Instructions And that with as much Diligence & convenient speed as may be in the speeche manner.

after which Mr Speaker & the Members of ye House took leave & departed. In their House

Mr Robert Tyler Mr Saml Worthington & Mr Nathl Dare