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Sir!

Boston Sep: 22. 1760

I communicated your Letter of the 8th August to the Council who desire to join with me in returning our Thanks to You and the Gentlemen of your Province on the behalf of the Poor Sufferers by the Fire in this Town.

The Benefactions given on this Account are disposed by the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor, which form a Board of 19 of the Principal Gentlemen of this Town, whereof John Phillips Esq.r is Treasurer. I have consulted them, and they judged it most adviseable to negotiate the money by Exchange, and have accordingly given their Draft on the Commissioners of the Loan Office of your Province in favour of Mr. Jonathan Williams and Mr. John Soley for Fourteen hundred Pounds Maryland currency. When they know the precise Sum they may draw for, they will give their Bill for the remainder.

I am much obliged to You for your Congratulations on my Accession to this Government and am with great Regard

Sir

Your Excellency's most obedient & most humble Servant

Fra Bernard.

His Excellency Gov Sharpe