

the most profound Respect, Attachment, and Allegiance, beg to approach your Throne, to offer our most heartfelt Congratulations on your Majesty's Entrance into the Fiftieth Year of your Reign.

The History of Europe for many Years past, most abundantly testifies the innumerable Causes for our most grateful Acknowledgements for being placed by Providence as Subjects of your Majesty in this favoured Kingdom. Whilst other Nations have been devoted to arbitrary and illegal Dominion, God has preserved to us, under your Majesty's paternal Care, our lawful Liberties and Properties, by an equitable and well constituted Government. And among other national Blessings, the Almighty Ruler of the Universe has, by his invincible Arm, shielded and preserved your Majesty's most valuable Life through a long and arduous Reign; and it is with the utmost Exultation we reflect, that your Majesty still reigns, and in that most stable of all Thrones, the Hearts of a free and affectionate People.

We beg to assure your Majesty of our feeling truly sensible, that under your mild and auspicious Government, civil and religious Liberty have fixed their Seat in this Kingdom, and fixed it on a Basis not to be subverted by the Instruments of Despotism; or undermined by the Intrigues of Faction.

It is here, our most Holy Religion is cherished and protected; that equal, wise, and good Laws are established; that the Poor, when incapable of the Exertions of honest Industry, are entitled to Relief by the Laws of the Country; it is here, that our Fathers enjoyed social Freedom and social Happiness; that we ourselves have inherited them; and, with the Blessing of Heaven on our Exertions, it is here, we will bequeath them to our Posterity.

We most earnestly beg to renew our Expressions of Regard and Attachment towards your Majesty's august Person and Family, and implore a long Continuance of your Majesty's Reign, over a loyal, dutiful, and happy People.

Dated at the Town-Hall, Dock, this 25th Day of October 1809.

[Transmitted by Sir John St. Aubyn, Bart. M.P.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty,

The humble Address of the States of your Majesty's Island of Jersey.

WE, the States of the Island of Jersey, beg Leave to lay at your Majesty's Feet, with the most heartfelt Effusions of Joy, our sincere Congratulations on the Anniversary of your Majesty's happy Accession to the Throne.

When we reflect that it has pleased him, who ruleth over the Kingdoms of the Earth, to preserve a Life, inestimably precious to your Subjects, for so long a Series of Years; when we cast a retrospective View on the various extraordinary Events and Vicissitudes, which have marked that difficult and interesting Period, we cannot but admire that rare Fortitude and Wisdom in your Majesty which have conducted the State in safety through those great and formidable Perils.

But above all we acknowledge, with the liveliest Sensibility, the Care, the Vigilance and the Magnanimity, so conspicuous in your Majesty's successful Endeavours to oppose a lawless Enemy, inflexibly bent on the Subjugation and Destruction of your

Dominions; and we contemplate, with Exultation, the unrivalled Prosperity, the proud Pre-eminence and unshaken Stability of your Majesty's Kingdom, amid the Wreck of Nations, and the crush of Empires.

Your unceasing Attention, Sire, to the Preservation of the Constitution, and of the Rights of your People; to the Extension of Agriculture, Commerce, and Manufactures, and to the Encouragement of every liberal and useful Art, is another Trait in your Royal Character, which has justly secured to your Majesty the Affection and Reverence of the present, and will live in the Hearts of succeeding Generations.

If from the pleasing Remembrance of your public, we turn to the Consideration of your private Life, there we shall find, exhibited in its most perfect Form, an amiable Pattern of Benignity, of Mildness, of Beneficence, of all the paternal and conjugal Virtue.

Blessed as we are in such a King, we bow, in lowest Prostration, at the Throne of the Almighty, in Acknowledgement of his providential Goodness. We own, with profoundest Gratitude his past Mercies, and earnestly entreat, at his all powerful Hand, a Continuance of them by the Prolongation of a Life, on which depends the Happiness of Millions. And when it shall please the Gracious Ruler of the World to call your Majesty, full of Days, from a temporal to an eternal Crown, may your illustrious Line, following your bright Example, reign over us, in constant Succession, till the Extinction of Time.

By order of the States,

John De Veulle, Greffr.

Jersey, November 2, 1809.

[Transmitted by Mr. Dumaresq, President of the States of the Island of Jersey.]

To the KING's Most Excellent Majesty.

May it please your Majesty,

WE, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Mayor, Aldermen, Capital Burgesses, and principal Inhabitants of the Borough of Harwich, humbly beg Leave to approach the Throne, to express our profound Veneration and Affection for your Majesty's sacred Person and Government; and to offer to your Majesty our unfeigned Congratulations upon the recent happy Occasion of your having entered into the Fiftieth Year of your Reign.

We are deeply impressed with a lively and grateful Sense of the many inestimable Blessings which we have enjoyed under your Majesty's mild and just Government. We feel that, amidst the awful Conflicts and Convulsions which have distracted and nearly overwhelmed, in common Calamity, almost every other Nation in Europe, our happy Country still remains free, independent, and unappalled; and advancing in Improvement in Agriculture, Commerce, and national Resources, proportioned to the Exigencies of the eventful Period in which we live. We feel also, that this enviable and happy Distinction is principally to be attributed (under the gracious Favour of Divine Providence) to the unceasing Sollicitude which your Majesty has manifested to preserve and improve the Rights and Liberties of your Subjects, and to give a rare and illustrious Example to your People of all the religious, moral, and patriot Virtues. Under these Impressions, we have offered up our un-