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Lord North The very sluggish Attendance after Easter the last Session of Parliament has very much fill'd my mind on the near approach of the next, and the conviction that it is much easier to prevent evils than to redress them ~~as~~ they arise, makes it highly proper for me to put before your eyes the necessity of some Plan being adopted to effect an early and constant attendance during the next Session. Your zeal for my service will I am certain make you without loss of time chalk out some mode for this purpose which at the same time that my service requires it, will also be a great ease to yourself and not put you under the dilemma ^{of} oftentimes of doubting on pressing occasions whether a sufficient Attendance would be found. You may depend on my warmest support in this business and that my disapprobation shall be shewn in the fullest manner to those who swerve from their duty when a systematical plan is formed. I therefore trust that by consulting those you usually employ in that branch, you may be able in the course of the week to lay such a plan before me. The evils that may arise if this is not done are so very apparent, that it would be a kind of proof of your penetration to be taking up your time in stating them.

[Faint, illegible handwritten text in cursive script, likely a historical document or letter.]