

H.R.H. to Parliament.

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My Lords & Gentlemen

Since it is at your desire
That I am placed in this
Station to supply the defect
in the exercise of Royal authority
during the continuance of
the Calamity, with which
It has pleased almighty
God to afflict the King
My ever honoured &
beloved father, I consider
It as the first act of my
Duty to assure you that,
how difficult & painful
soever it may be for me
to bear the weight which
has fallen upon me

by my being called to the
Government of the Kingdom
under such peculiar
circumstances, I will
use my utmost endeavours
to exercise those powers
of the legal office, with
which Parliament has
thought fit to invest me,
for the Interest & Honour
of the King, & for the safety
& Happiness of his people:
and I am the better prepared
to meet the difficulties
which must surround
the execution of such a

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Trust, by the consolation 38280
which I feel in the
uprightness of my own
intentions, & by the hope
which I entertain, that
my conduct in this
temporary administration
of Government will intitle
me to the confidence of
Parliament & the nation,
which it ^{is ever} will be the study
& the pride of my life to
merit & to obtain —

I acknowledge with
the deepest sense of gratitude
the loyalty & affection of
this free & powerfull
Country to the King my

father, & their constant
I realous attachment to
the House of Brunswick,
and I can from my heart
declare that no Prince ever of that House ever
held in higher veneration
than I do, the Principles
on which our excellent
constitution in Church &
State was asserted &
vindicated at the Revolution,
or was more fully convinced
than I am, that
the steady adherence
to those principles,
the Preservation of

that constitution inviolable
& inalienable, & the
maintenance of the
Laws which have been
since made for confirming
& perfecting the system
formed at that glorious
period will ever be
found to be the best
& most permanent
Security for the prerogatives
of the Crown, the privileges
of Parliament & the
Rights & Liberties of
the people —

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Gentlemen of the House
of Commons.

I will order the Estimate
for the current year to be
laid before you &c.

My Lords & Gentlemen
On the justice & generosity
which mark the character
of Britons, I rely for
a favourable interpretation
of my actions & of my

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with most, tho perhaps feeble,
exertions in their service,

to promote the Commerce
the Manufactures & general
prosperity of the Kingdom
To consult the real interests
of the subjects of the King
in all his dominions,
and to preserve & secure
the honour & the credit
of Great Britain at
Home & abroad -

And when it shall be
the will of divine Providence
to restore the King my
father to his former
Health & to a Capacity

to resume the personal
exercise of Royal authority.

I shall consider it as
the happiest moment of
my life to throw myself
at his Majesty's feet with
all the zeal & devotion
of a dutiful Son &
an affectionate subject.

& It will afford me
the most cordial satisfaction
as a faithful Administrator
& Trustee for his Majesty,
& for the public, to
surrender into his
Majesty's Hands.

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The Government of this
Kingdom, I to see
all the powers, which
the constitution has
allotted to the Regal Office,
reunited under his
authority, undiminished
in their lustre &
unimpaired in their
Strength.

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The Government
of the United Kingdom
has the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter
of the 10th inst. in
reference to the
subject mentioned
in the title of the
same.

Sketch of a speech
in connection with the Regency Bill
and referred —