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Address of the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Council.

To His Excellency Sir Charles Hotham, Knight, Commander of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Colony of Victoria, and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

May it please your Excellency, We, her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the members of the Legislative Council of Victoria in Council" "Council assembled, beg respectfully to convey to your Excellency the following resolution of the Council passed unanimously:-

Resolved: That the Lieutenant Governor having been placed in a painfully embarrassing position, since his arrival in Victoria, is entitled to the sympathy and support of this Council, and it pledges itself by every means in its power to aid him in restoring, and maintaining, law and order.

(Signed) J. F. Palmer

Speaker