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CAP. CXXX.

An Act for the better enabling His Majesty to make Provision for a sure and certain Jointure for Her Royal Highness the Princess of *Wales*, for the Term of Her Life. [27th *June* 1795.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of *Great Britain*, in Parliament assembled, being truly sensible how acceptable it will be to Your Majesty, that a good, certain, and competent Revenue be settled for supporting the Honour and Dignity of Her Royal Highness the Princess, in case she shall survive Her Royal Consort the most Excellent Prince *George Augustus*, Your Majesty's most dearly beloved Son; and considering the Happiness which (by the Blessing of Almighty God) the Subjects of these Kingdoms cannot fail to enjoy by a Succession of Princes derived from Her; and well knowing that by an Act, made in the First Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen *Anne* (of blessed Memory), for preserving the Inheritance of several Revenues of the Crown, intituled, *An Act for the better Support of Her Majesty's Household, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown*, all Grants thereof (other than such as are therein expressed) are declared to be void; do most humbly, chearfully, and unanimously, beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this

Preamble.

1 *Annæ*, Cap. 7.

this preſent Parliament aſſembled, and by the Authority of the ſame, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty, by any Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Great Britain*, to give and grant unto Her ſaid Royal Highneſs the Princeſs of *Wales*, or to ſuch Perſon or Perſons as His Majeſty ſhall think fit to be named in ſuch Letters Patent, and his or their Heirs, to the Uſe of or in Truſt for the ſaid Princeſs, One Annuity or Yearly Sum of Fifty thouſand Pounds of lawful Money of *Great Britain*, which Annuity or Yearly Sum of Fifty thouſand Pounds, and every Part thereof, ſhall commence and take Effect immediately from and after the Deceaſe of His Majeſty's ſaid dearly beloved Son, and continue from thenceforth for and during the natural Life of the ſaid Princeſs, and ſhall be paid and payable on the Fifth Day of *January*, the Fifth Day of *April*, the Fifth Day of *July*, and the Tenth Day of *October*, in every Year, by even and equal Portions; the Firſt Payment thereof to be made on ſuch of the ſaid Days as ſhall firſt and next happen after the Deceaſe of His Majeſty's ſaid dearly beloved Son, in caſe the ſaid Princeſs ſhall ſurvive him as aforeſaid; and that the ſaid Yearly Sum of Fifty thouſand Pounds ſhall be iſſuing and payable out of, and be charged and chargeable upon, ſuch Revenues, Rents, and Duties, as are herein-after ſpecified; (that is to ſay), that ſo long as the Revenues of the General Letter Office or Poſt Office, or Office of Poſtmaſter General, the Hereditary Duties of Exciſe, and other Hereditary or Temporary Revenues, enumerated and expreſſed in an Act, made in the Firſt Year of the Reign of His preſent Majeſty, intituled, *An Act for the Support of His Majeſty's Houſehold, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown of* Great Britain, ſhall, by virtue of the ſaid Act, or any other Act or Acts of Parliament now in force relating thereto, be carried to or made Part of the Conſolidated Fund, the ſaid Annuity of Fifty thouſand Pounds, and every Part thereof, ſhall be charged and chargeable upon the Revenue, or Yearly Rent or Rents, which ſhall be iſſuing and payable by virtue of the ſaid Acts, or any of them, out of the ſaid Conſolidated Fund, for the Support of His Majeſty's Houſehold, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown, to His preſent Majeſty, during His Life (which God long preſerve); and the Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Treaſury, or any Three or more of them, and the High Treaſurer and Under Treaſurer of the Exchequer for the Time being, ſhall and may, and they are hereby required to cauſe the ſaid Annuity to be iſſued from Time to Time, during His preſent Majeſty's Life, daily, weekly, or otherwiſe, for the Uſes and Purpoſes by this Act appointed, out of the Revenue or Yearly Rent or Rents iſſuing and payable to His Majeſty during His Life, out of the Conſolidated Fund as aforeſaid, ſo as by the ſaid Daily, Weekly, or other Payments, One Fourth Part of ſuch Annuity of Fifty thouſand Pounds be not exceeded in, for, or in reſpect of each Quarter; and ſo that, upon every of the ſaid Quarterly Days, the Whole then due thereupon be completed, made up, or ſatisfied, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act.

His Majeſty may grant to the Princeſs of *Wales* an Annuity of 50,000 *l.* from the Deceaſe of the Prince, payable quarterly, chargeable on the Revenue for the Support of His Majeſty's Houſehold.

1 *Geo.* III, Cap. 1.

II. And be it further enacted, That in the Event of the Demiſe of His preſent Majeſty, the ſaid Annuity of Fifty thouſand Pounds, and every Part thereof, ſhall then and from thenceforth, during the Life of the ſaid Princeſs, in caſe the ſaid Princeſs ſhall ſurvive His ſaid Royal Highneſs the Prince, be charged and chargeable upon the ſaid Hereditary

On the Demiſe of His Majeſty, the Annuity to be chargeable upon the Hereditary Revenues enume-

tary Duties and Revenues enumerated and expreſſed in the ſaid Act of the Firſt Year of His preſent Majeſty's Reign, and that the ſame ſhall be paid and payable by and from the immediate Hands of all and every the Commiſſioners, Farmers, Treaſurers, Receivers, and Collectors, for the Time being, of the ſaid Revenues reſpectively, without any Fees or Charges to be demanded or taken for paying the ſame, or any Part thereof. rated in laſt mentioned Act.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Acquittance and Acquittances of the ſaid Princeſs or Her Truſtees, or of Her Royal Highneſs's Receiver General for the Time being, ſhall be a good and ſufficient Diſcharge for the Payment of the ſaid Annuity of Fifty thouſand Pounds, without any further or other Warrant to be ſued for, had, or obtained, in that Behalf; and that the ſaid Annuity or Yearly Sum of Fifty thouſand Pounds, and every Part thereof, ſhall be free and clear from all Taxes, Impoſitions, and other publick Charges whatſoever. Acquittance of the Princeſs, &c. to be a Diſcharge for the Annuity, which ſhall be free from Taxes.

IV. And be it further enacted, That if the ſaid Commiſſioners, Farmers, Treaſurers, Receivers, and Collectors, for the Time being, of the ſaid Duties and Revenues, or any of them, ſhall refuſe or neglect to pay the ſaid reſpective Yearly Sums, or any Part thereof, to the ſaid Princeſs, Her Receiver General or Truſtees, after ſuch Time as the ſaid Annuity of Fifty thouſand Pounds ſhall become or be chargeable out of the ſaid Duties and Revenues, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act, that then the ſaid Princeſs, or ſuch Truſtees as aforeſaid, may ſue, proſecute, or implead, the ſaid Commiſſioners, Farmers, Treaſurers, Receivers, and Collectors, or any of them, and all or any of their Securities, Heirs, Executors, and Adminiſtrators, by Bill, Plaint, or Action of Debt, and ſhall and may recover Judgements, and ſue out Executions thereupon, againſt the ſaid Commiſſioners, Farmers, Treaſurers, Receivers, and Collectors reſpectively, and their reſpective Securities, Heirs, Executors, and Adminiſtrators, for ſuch Sum and Sums of Money then due and owing upon the ſaid Annuities, amounting to Fifty thouſand Pounds *per Annum*, or any Part thereof, as ſhall be in the Hands of the ſaid Commiſſioners, Farmers, Treaſurers, Receivers, and Collectors reſpectively, of the ſaid reſpective Duties or Revenues, at the Time when Demand ſhall be made of the Payment of the ſaid Yearly Sum, or any Part thereof. The Princeſs may ſue the Commiſſioners, &c. of the Revenues for the Annuity.

V. And be it further enacted by the Authority aforeſaid, That all and every the Powers, Precepts, Directions, and Clauſes, to be contained in His Majeſty's Letters Patent to be made as aforeſaid, for the better and more certain Payment and Aſſurance of the ſaid Yearly Sum of Fifty thouſand Pounds *per Annum*, ſhall be, and are hereby enacted to be good and effectual in the Law, according to the Tenor and Purport of the ſaid Letters Patent, to be expreſſed, notwithſtanding any Reſtriction, or other Matter or Thing contained in the ſaid Act of Parliament, made in the Firſt Year of Her late Majeſty's Reign, intituled, *An Act for the better Support of Her Majeſty's Houſehold, and of the Honour and Dignity of the Crown*, and any Miſ-recital, Non-recital, Omiſſion, or other Defect, in the ſaid Letters Patent, in anywiſe notwithſtanding. His Majeſty's Letters Patent for the Annuity to be good, notwithſtanding any Reſtriction in the laſt mentioned Act.

Annuity to be paid without Fee.

VI. And be it further enacted and declared by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Yearly Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds shall be paid to Her Royal Highness, or to Her Use, or for Her Benefit, without any Fees or Charges to be demanded or taken by the Officers of the Exchequer, or any others, for Payment thereof.

Annuity to be in Bar of Dower.

VII. And, in order to prevent any Doubts which might arise respecting the Right of Her Royal Highness the Princess of *Wales*, in the Event of Her surviving His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales*, to Dower, or to any Part of the Personal Estate of His Royal Highness, over and above the Jointure hereby provided for Her Royal Highness; be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Acceptance by Her Royal Highness of the Jointure herein provided shall be, and be deemed to be, a Bar to any Right or Claim to Dower, or to any Part of the Personal Estate of His Royal Highness, in the Event of Her surviving His Royal Highness.

Reservation of Rights.

VIII. Saving to all and every Person and Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns, (other than the King's Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and other than to such Person or Persons who do or may stand seised or possessed in Trust for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors), all such Right, Title, Interest, and Demand whatsoever, which they, or any of them, have or may have, of, in, to, or out of, the Revenues, Rents, or Duties aforesaid, or any Part thereof respectively, before the making of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if this Act had not been made; this Act, or any Thing therein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

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