

At the Council Meeting held on 8th June 1945, the following Loyal Address was ordered to be signed and sealed, and dutifully offered to the King.

To The King's Most Excellent Majesty

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN

WE, Your Majesty's dutiful subjects, the President, Council and Members of the Institute of Actuaries, beg leave to offer to Your Majesty our loyal congratulations on the overwhelming victory won by Your Majesty's Forces with their Allies against the German Reich and its European associates. We look forward to a similar and speedy triumph over the Empire of Japan and to the establishment of a Peace guarded by the British Commonwealth of Nations and other Peoples who love Freedom.

The knowledge and experience of our members, who are trained in pursuance of the Royal Charter conferred by Her Late Majesty Queen Victoria, are at the service of Your Majesty's Government and People, whom we count it a privilege to serve to the utmost of our power.

In tendering to Your Majesty the assurance of our heartfelt devotion, we offer our humble thanks for all that Your Majesty and Your Gracious Consort have done during the bitter stress of the European War. Personal loss has but increased the radiance of Your Majesties' example and Your Subjects have been led, in unmatched unity and unwearying effort, to victory in the Cause of Freedom.

The Institute of Actuaries has accepted heavy loss, in the death of some of its members and by the destruction of its ancient home at Staple Inn Hall, as a part of the common sacrifice and is stimulated to more ardent endeavour.

We rejoice that, as the British Empire takes up the tasks of recovery, Your Majesty is set in so firm an authority over us and we pray that Your Majesty's Reign may long continue in prosperity and peace.

*Given under the Common Seal of the Institute at its Council Meeting this eighth day of June in the Year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-five.*

R. C. SIMMONDS, *President*  
J. F. BUNFORD } *Honorary*  
WILFRED PERKS } *Secretaries*

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