

## **Resolution of Congress of September 28, 1787**

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55 delegates of the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, including 21 veterans of the Revolutionary War and 8 signers of the Declaration of Independence. George Washington was the president of the Convention.

### *Date created/enacted*

- On June 19, 1787, the delegates decide on a three-branch form of government.
- On July 16, 1787, Roger Sherman suggests a system of representation whereby the House of Representatives would be based on population and the Senate on equal state representation. Furthermore, slaves would count as three-fifths of their total number.
- On September 19, 1787, the constitution is made public.
- On September 28, 1787, the delegates vote to send the constitution to the states to be ratified.

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“Congress assembled present New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, and from Maryland Mr. Ross.

Congress having received the report of the Convention lately assembled in Philadelphia.

Resolved Unanimously that the said Report with the resolutions and letter accompanying the same be transmitted to the several legislatures in Order to be submitted to a convention of Delegates chosen in each state by the people thereof in conformity to the resolves of the Convention made and provided in that case.”