

# The Constitution of the United States



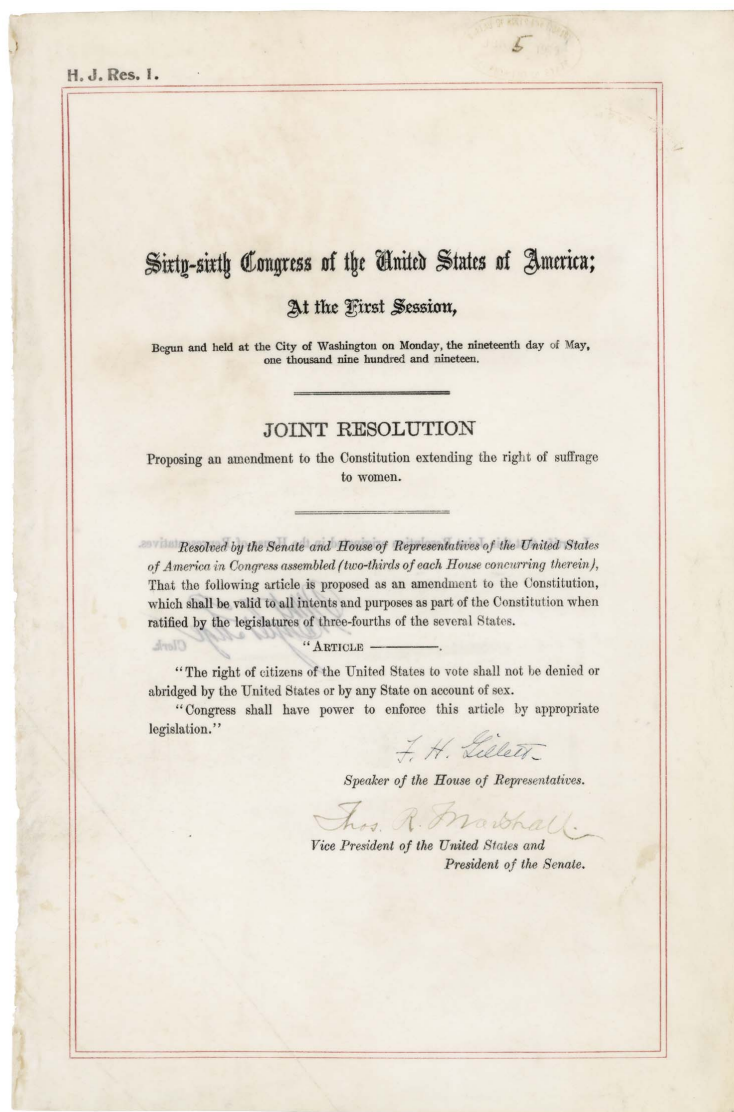
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# Amendment

(a·mend·ment)

Definition: A change, especially in the words of a law.

Example: The 19<sup>th</sup> *amendment* in the US Constitution states men and women have the right to vote.



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# Citizen

(cit·i·zen)

Definition: Someone who has the legal right to live and work in a particular country.

Example: *Citizens* of the United States promise to follow the laws of the land.



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# Constitution

(Con·sti·tu·tion)



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# Election

(e·lec·tion)

Definition: A process in which a group of people chooses someone for an official position by voting.

Example: Many people voted in this *election* to choose a new government.



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# Guarantee

(guar·an·tee)

Definition: a formal promise that something will be done or will happen.

Example: There are many laws that *guarantee* rights for children.





# Judge

(judge)



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# Landowner

(land·ow·ner)



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# National

(na·tion·al)

Definition: relating to a whole nation rather than to part of it or to other nations.

Example: The Navy is part of the *National* Armed Forces that helps to keep the United States safe.



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# Opinion

(o·pin·ion)

Definition: your ideas, or beliefs about a particular subject.

Example: The president may listen to the *opinions* of many leaders before making a decision.



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# Religion

(re·li·gion)

Definition: belief in one or more gods or a particular system of beliefs in one or more gods.

Example: The citizens of the United States are free to believe in the *religion* of their choice.



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# Speech

(speech)



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