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Primary Source Materials

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[Recommended Amendments by the Virginia Convention, 27 June 1788](#) (pdf)
[James Madison to Thomas Jefferson, 17 October 1788](#) (pdf)
[James Madison Speech in the U.S. House of Representatives, 8 June 1789](#) (pdf)
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Scholarly Articles

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