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Declaration of Independence (1776)

In _____, July 4, 1776. The _____ Declaration of the thirteen united States of America, When in the Course of _____ events, it becomes necessary for one people to _____ the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume among the _____ of the earth, the _____ and _____ station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the _____.

Articles of Confederation (1777-1789)

To all to whom these _____ shall come, we, the undersigned _____ of the _____ affixed to our Names send greeting.

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U.S. Constitution (1789)

We the _____ of the United States, in _____ to form a more perfect _____, establish Justice, insure domestic _____, provide for the common defence, promote the general _____, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our _____, do ordain and establish this _____ for the United States of America.



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Federalist Papers (1787 - 1788)

AFTER an _____ experience of the _____ of the subsisting _____ government, you are called upon to _____ on a new _____ for the United States of America.

Bill of Rights (1789)

THE _____ of a number of the _____, having at the time of their _____ the Constitution, expressed a desire, in order to prevent misconstruction or _____ of its powers, that further _____ and restrictive clauses should be added: And as extending the ground of public _____ in the Government, will best ensure the _____ ends of its institution.

Emancipation Proclamation (1863)

That on the first day of _____, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____, all persons held as _____ within any State or designated part of a State, the people whereof shall then be in _____ against the United States, shall be then, thenceforward, and _____ free; and the Executive Government of the United States, including the military and naval _____ thereof, will recognize and _____ the freedom of such persons, and will do no act or acts to _____ such persons, or any of them, in any efforts they may make for their actual _____.

Gettysburg Address (1863)

Fourscore and _____ years ago our fathers brought _____ on this _____ a new nation, conceived in _____ and _____ to the proposition that all men are created _____.

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