

INDEPENDENCE

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NEW YORK APPROVES THE NEW CONSTITUTION

On the 26th in 1788, New York Ratifies the Constitution.

As the 11th state to ratify, on the heels of Virginia, confidence was strong that the Constitution as a framework for a new nation would become a reality.

New York provided clear remarks on their approval of this great document. Here is a sampling:

- "That all power is originally vested in, and consequently derived from, the people, and that government is instituted by them for their common interest, protection, and security."
- "That the enjoyment of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, are essential rights, which every government ought to respect and preserve."
- "That the powers of government may be reassumed by the people whensoever it shall become necessary to their happiness; that every power, jurisdiction, and right, which is not by the said Constitution clearly delegated to the Congress of the United States, or the departments of the government thereof, remains to the people of the several states, or to their respective state governments ... the people have an equal, natural, and unalienable right freely and peaceably to exercise their religion, according to the dictates of conscience..."
- "That no money be borrowed on the credit of the United States without the assent of two thirds of the senators and representatives present in each house..." *(What happened to fiscal responsibility?)*
- " That no person shall be eligible to the office of President of the United States a third time..." *(Apparently, they supported term limits from the beginning)*
- "That the people have a right to keep and bear arms; that a well-regulated militia, including the body of the people capable of bearing arms, is the proper, natural, and safe defence of a free state..." *(Well-regulated in this case does not mean Government-regulated, it instead refers to a militia that is in effective shape to fight and prepared to do its duty)*
- "That standing armies, in time of peace, are dangerous to liberty, and ought not to be kept up, except in cases of necessity; and that at all times the military should be under strict subordination to the civil power..."
- And yes, there is more.

Yet by 2014, New York Governor Cuomo is telling Conservatives to get out.

