RESOLUTIONS.

March 2, 1797.

President to call on certain states respecting an amendment to the Constitution.

I. RESOLVED, *by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the President be requested to adopt some speedy and effectual means of obtaining information from the states of Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee and South Carolina, whether they have ratified the amendment proposed by Congress to the Constitution concerning the suability of states; if they have, to obtain the proper evidences thereof.

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Mode of distributing laws of United States.

II. RESOLVED, *by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the five hundred copies of the laws of the United States, directed to be printed by the act, intituled "An act for the more general promulgation of the laws of the United States," and which were, by the said act, reserved for the future disposition of Congress, shall be distributed by the Secretary of State, in the manner following: One set shall be delivered to George Washington, now President of the United States; to the President of the United States; to the Vice President of the United States, and to each of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives; six sets shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Senate, and twelve sets to the clerk of the House of Representatives; one set shall be delivered to each of the Judges of the Supreme Court; to each of the Judges of the District Courts; and to each of the Marshals and Attornies of each district; one set shall be delivered to the Secretary of State; to the Secretary of the Treasury; to the Secretary of War; to the Attorney General; to the Director of the Mint; to the Comptroller of the Treasury; to the Commissioner of the Revenue; to the Register; to the Auditor; to the Accountant of the War Department, and to the Postmaster General, and the Purveyor of Public Supplies; one set shall be delivered to the Governor and to the Secretary of the Territory northwest of the Ohio, and to each of the Judges thereof; one set shall be delivered to each Collector, Naval Officer and Surveyor, and to each Supervisor and Inspector of the Revenue, in the United States.

SEC. 1. *And be it further resolved,* That in case of the death, resignation, or dismission from office, of either of the officers before mentioned, excepting the President and Vice President of the United States, the members of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the Judges of the Supreme and District Courts, the said copies of the laws of the United States, delivered to them as aforesaid, shall belong to their respective successors in the said offices.

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