



**STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

The United States' role as a beacon of freedom and liberty was secured by the brave men and women who fought during the Revolutionary War and won independence from Great Britain. To ensure the longevity of this hard-won freedom and strengthen the stability of the young nation, delegates from each of the states came together for a Constitutional Convention.

Throughout the summer of 1787, these delegates presented and debated multiple plans in an effort to ensure equal representation and the separation of powers at the federal level. Ultimately, they found compromise in a bicameral legislature and a system of checks and balances for the three separate branches of government. The United States' journey was set in motion, and the history of the world forever altered, on September 17, 1787, when the initial draft of the U.S. Constitution was signed, and again on December 10, 1791, the Bill of Rights was added to the Constitution.

Our constitution is the greatest charter of liberty the world has ever known, securing our fundamental, God-given rights to free speech, to freedom of religion, to bear arms, and so much more. The continued success of our democratic republic depends on our fidelity to these founding principles.

Each year, a week in September is devoted to recognizing the impact of and learning more about the U.S. Constitution. At this time, I encourage all Texans to take time to consider the importance of the most significant documents in our nation's history.

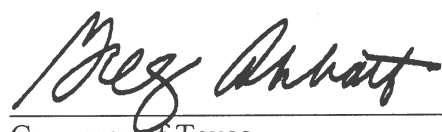
Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim September 17-23, 2021, to be

Constitution Week



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
15th day of September, 2021.


Governor of Texas