Virginia Legislature to Governor George Clinton, 20 November 1788

Virginia, to wit:

In GENERAL ASSEMBLY, Friday, the 20th November, 1788.

SIR, The letter from the Convention of the State of New-York hath been laid before us, since our present session. The subject which it contemplated was taken up, and we have the pleasure to inform you of the entire concurrence in sentiment between that Honorable Body, and the Representatives, in Senate and Assembly, of the freemen of this Commonwealth. The propriety of immediately calling a Convention of the States, to take into consideration the defects of the Constitution, was admitted, and, in consequence thereof, an application agreed to, to be presented to the Congress, so soon as it shall be convened, for the accomplishment of that important end. We herewith transmit to your Excellency a copy of this application, which we request may be laid before your Assembly at their next meeting. We take occasion to express our most earnest wishes, that it may obtain the approbation of New-York, and of all our sister States.

Signed by order and in behalf of the General Assembly,

JOHN JONES, S. S.

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