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ADMINISTRATOR OF GENERAL SERVICES
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:

Know Ye, That the Congress of the United States, at the second
session, eighty-sixth Congress begun at the City of Washington on
Wednesday, the sixth day of January, in the year one thousand nine
hundred and sixty, passed a Joint Resolution in the words and figures
as follows: to wit—

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States
granting representation in the electoral college to the District of
Columbia.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United
States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House
concurring therein), That the following article is hereby proposed as
an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which shall
be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution only
if ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States
within seven years from the date of its submission by the Congress:

"Article—

"Section 1. The District constituting the seat of Government of
the United States shall appoint in such manner as the Congress may
direct:

"A number of electors of President and Vice President equal to
the whole number of Senators and Representatives in Congress to
which the District would be entitled if it were a State, but in no
event more than the least populous State; they shall be in addition
to those appointed by the States, but they shall be considered, for
the purposes of the election of President and Vice President, to be
electors appointed by a State; and they shall meet in the District
and perform such duties as provided by the twelfth article of
amendment.

"Sec. 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by
appropriate legislation."

And, further, that it appears from official documents on file in
the General Services Administration that the Amendment to the Con-
stitution of the United States proposed as aforesaid has been ratified
by the Legislatures of the States of Alaska, Arizona, California,
Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana,
Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Min-
nesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New
Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma,
Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah,
Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin and Wyoming."
And, further, that the States whose Legislatures have so ratified the said proposed Amendment constitute the requisite three-fourths of the whole number of States in the United States.

Now, therefore, be it known that I, John L. Moore, Administrator of General Services, by virtue and in pursuance of Section 106b, Title 1 of the United States Code, do hereby certify that the Amendment aforesaid has become valid, to all intents and purposes, as a part of the Constitution of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the General Services Administration to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 3rd day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixty-one.

[SEAL] JOHN L. MOORE