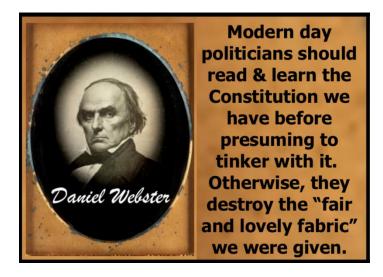
Term Limits: a palliative not a cure with a dangerous "unintended consequence"

What's *the real problem* with our federal government? That people in Congress serve too many terms? And if we get an amendment to limit their terms, will our Land be healed?

Of course not! *The real problem* is that the politicians *we* elect ignore our Constitution – yet *we* keep reelecting them.



As a result, the federal government exercises thousands of powers not delegated; but everyone goes along with it. The State and local governments get federal funds for going along with unconstitutional federal programs; the People get all sorts of benefits, subsidies, and free stuff; and many live altogether at other peoples' expense. And all this "free money" is added to the national debt.¹

Members of Congress also profit from ignoring our Constitution: By exercising the thousands of powers not delegated, they obtain endless opportunities to become rich, powerful, and "important".

So, unless *we* turn over a new leaf, learn our Constitution and obey it, renounce unconstitutional federal programs and handouts, and demand that people in Congress also obey it; limiting their terms by an amendment increases the turnover of politicians in Congress who ignore our Constitution – and to whom we must pay luxurious lifetime pensions. *There is also another consequence*.....

What would happen if we turned over a new leaf?

For starters, if we required Congress to stay within the enumerated powers, two things would happen:

- 1. The job of US Senator or Representative would be so boring, few would want to be reelected. After all, how many times can you revise the bankruptcy code (authorized by Art. I, § 8, cl. 4); fix the Standard of Weights and Measures (authorized by Art. I, § 8, cl. 5); and organize the Patent and Copyright Office (authorized by Art. I, § 8, cl. 8)?
- 2. There would be no opportunity to get rich while in Congress, build a power base, and get "prestige". So the office would no longer attract those who go into politics for the sake of their own egos, pocketbooks, and depraved lust for power.

And if we also stopped pouring out the blood of our young people and incurring ever more debt to pay for our constant military meddling all over the world, there would be very little for Congress to do. ²

After the cleanup period [see footnote 2], the job of US Senator or Representative would become so boring – and so financially unrewarding – it would be seen as a civic duty to be stoically endured for a short time – instead of a cushy ticket to personal wealth, power, prestige, and a luxurious taxpayer funded retirement for life.

So a term limits amendment is a feel good palliative which distracts us from dealing with the real problem: People in Congress disregard the Constitution – but *we* keep re-electing them.

Unintended consequences

Take heed of this "unintended consequence" of a term limits amendment: As you *decrease* the powers of elected members of the US Senate and House by making them transient beings – **you** *increase* **the powers of the "deep state"**. With a term limits amendment, elected members of Congress would be like train cars passing in the night – the real power would be solidified in the nameless, faceless, un-elected bureaucrats who infest the Executive Branch and all its agencies.

Man up and face the Truth and do what's Right!

We could turn over a new leaf and fix our Country. Do we have the wit and the will? Who among you is willing to challenge the status quo and urge that we change direction? If ever a nation needed to turn from its wicked ways, it is us.

You have a moral choice before you: Consider this advice from a friend; or jump on the bandwagon <u>pulled by</u> the globalists and clamor for an Article V convention.

Endnotes:

The PEW Report shows what percentage of each *State government's* revenue (for FY 2017) came from federal funds [click on "select a state" to see your State]. In addition to the funds paid by the federal government to the State governments; billions in additional funds are paid by the federal government into each State to local governments, non-governmental organizations, research grants, price supports, food stamps, rent subsidies, utility subsidies, free cell phones, Medicare, social security, etc., etc., etc. Yet the "Convention of States Project" and "balanced budget" amendment lobby blame the federal government for out of control spending! But it is the State and local governments, and the people in this Country, who have their hands out for every penny they can get from the federal government.

² A Congress which obeyed the Constitution would be very busy during the glorious time they were repealing unconstitutional federal statutes; dismantling unconstitutional federal programs, departments, and agencies; and impeaching and removing usurping federal judges.

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