



Preambles to State Constitutions

Alabama

1901, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Alabama, invoking the favor and guidance of Almighty God, do ordain and establish the following Constitution.

Alaska

1956, Preamble. We, the people of Alaska, grateful to God and to those who founded our nation and pioneered this great land.

Arizona

1911, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Arizona, grateful to Almighty God for our liberties, do ordain this Constitution...

Arkansas

1874, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Arkansas, grateful to Almighty God for the privilege of choosing our own form of government...

California

1879, Preamble. We, the people of the State of California, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom...

Colorado

1876, Preamble. We, the people of Colorado, with profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the Universe...

Connecticut

1818, Preamble. The people of Connecticut, acknowledging with gratitude the good Providence of God in permitting them to enjoy.

Delaware


1897, Preamble. Through Divine Goodness all men have, by nature, the rights of worshipping and serving their Creator according to the dictates of their consciences .

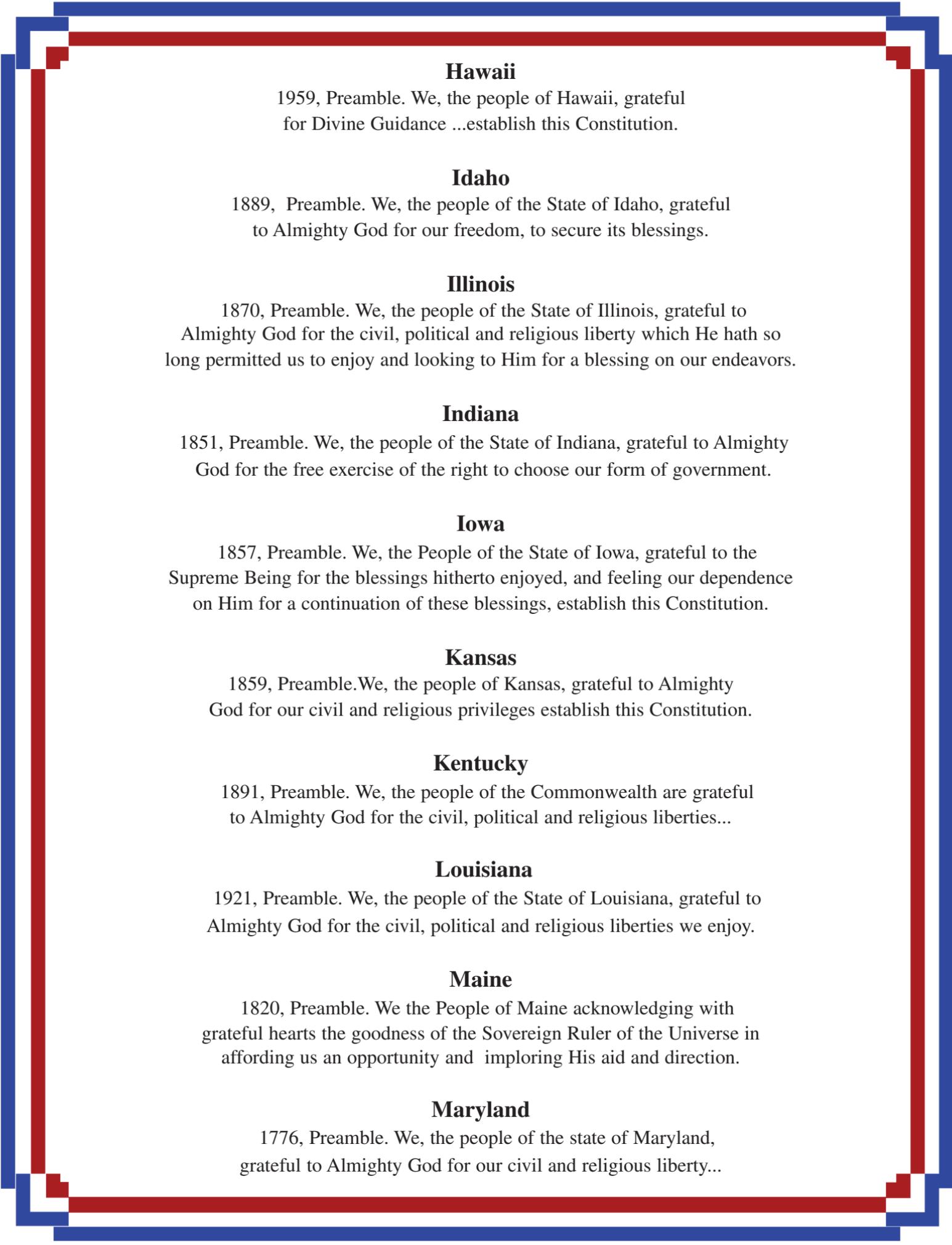
Florida

1885, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Florida, grateful to Almighty God for our constitutional liberty, establish this Constitution...

Georgia

1777, Preamble. We, the people of Georgia, relying upon protection and guidance of Almighty God, do ordain and establish this Constitution...





Hawaii

1959, Preamble. We, the people of Hawaii, grateful for Divine Guidance ...establish this Constitution.

Idaho

1889, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Idaho, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, to secure its blessings.

Illinois

1870, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Illinois, grateful to Almighty God for the civil, political and religious liberty which He hath so long permitted us to enjoy and looking to Him for a blessing on our endeavors.

Indiana

1851, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Indiana, grateful to Almighty God for the free exercise of the right to choose our form of government.

Iowa

1857, Preamble. We, the People of the State of Iowa, grateful to the Supreme Being for the blessings hitherto enjoyed, and feeling our dependence on Him for a continuation of these blessings, establish this Constitution.

Kansas

1859, Preamble. We, the people of Kansas, grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious privileges establish this Constitution.

Kentucky

1891, Preamble. We, the people of the Commonwealth are grateful to Almighty God for the civil, political and religious liberties...

Louisiana


1921, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Louisiana, grateful to Almighty God for the civil, political and religious liberties we enjoy.

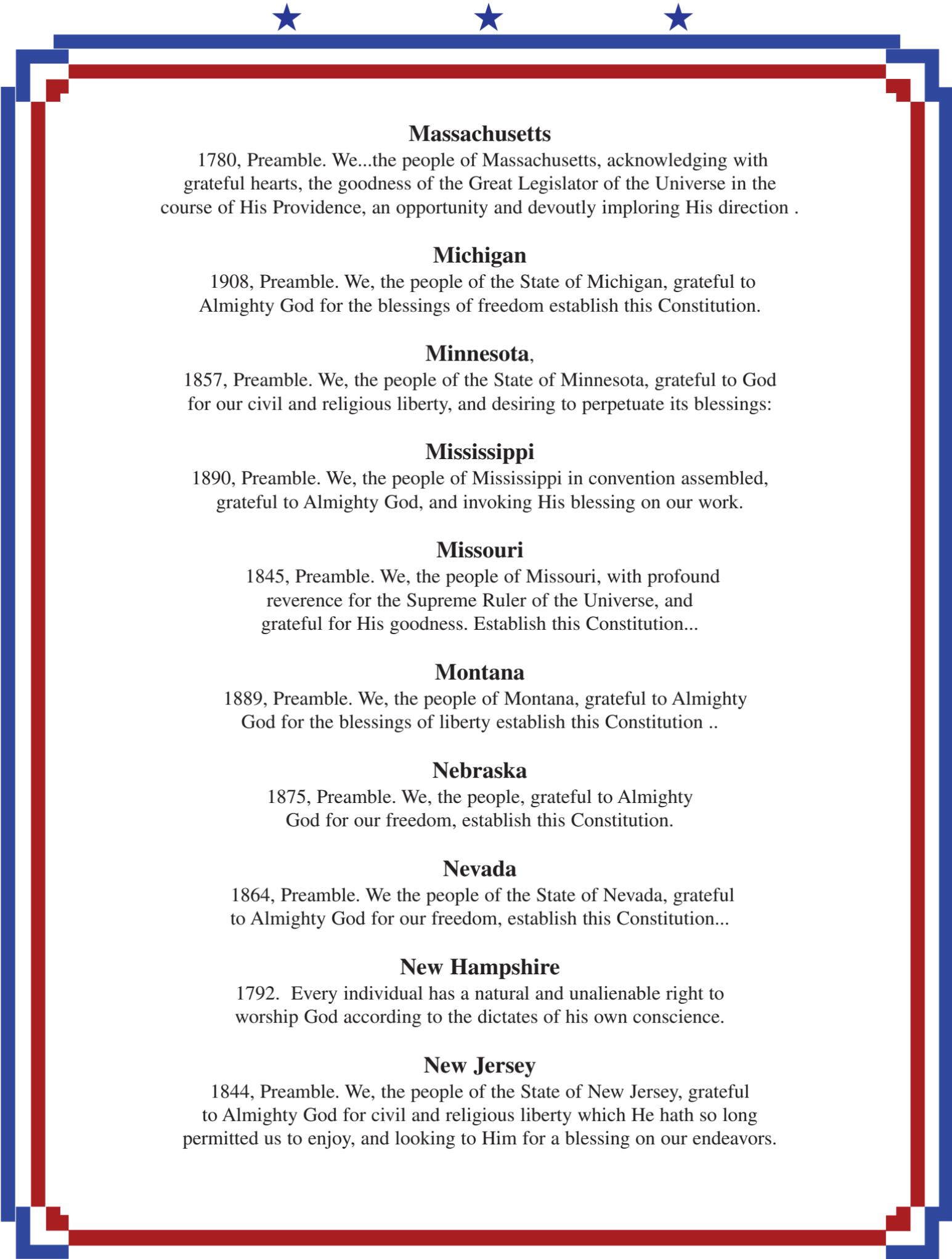
Maine

1820, Preamble. We the People of Maine acknowledging with grateful hearts the goodness of the Sovereign Ruler of the Universe in affording us an opportunity and imploring His aid and direction.

Maryland

1776, Preamble. We, the people of the state of Maryland, grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberty...





Massachusetts

1780, Preamble. We...the people of Massachusetts, acknowledging with grateful hearts, the goodness of the Great Legislator of the Universe in the course of His Providence, an opportunity and devoutly imploring His direction .

Michigan

1908, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Michigan, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of freedom establish this Constitution.

Minnesota,

1857, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Minnesota, grateful to God for our civil and religious liberty, and desiring to perpetuate its blessings:

Mississippi

1890, Preamble. We, the people of Mississippi in convention assembled, grateful to Almighty God, and invoking His blessing on our work.

Missouri

1845, Preamble. We, the people of Missouri, with profound reverence for the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, and grateful for His goodness. Establish this Constitution...

Montana

1889, Preamble. We, the people of Montana, grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of liberty establish this Constitution ..

Nebraska

1875, Preamble. We, the people, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, establish this Constitution.

Nevada

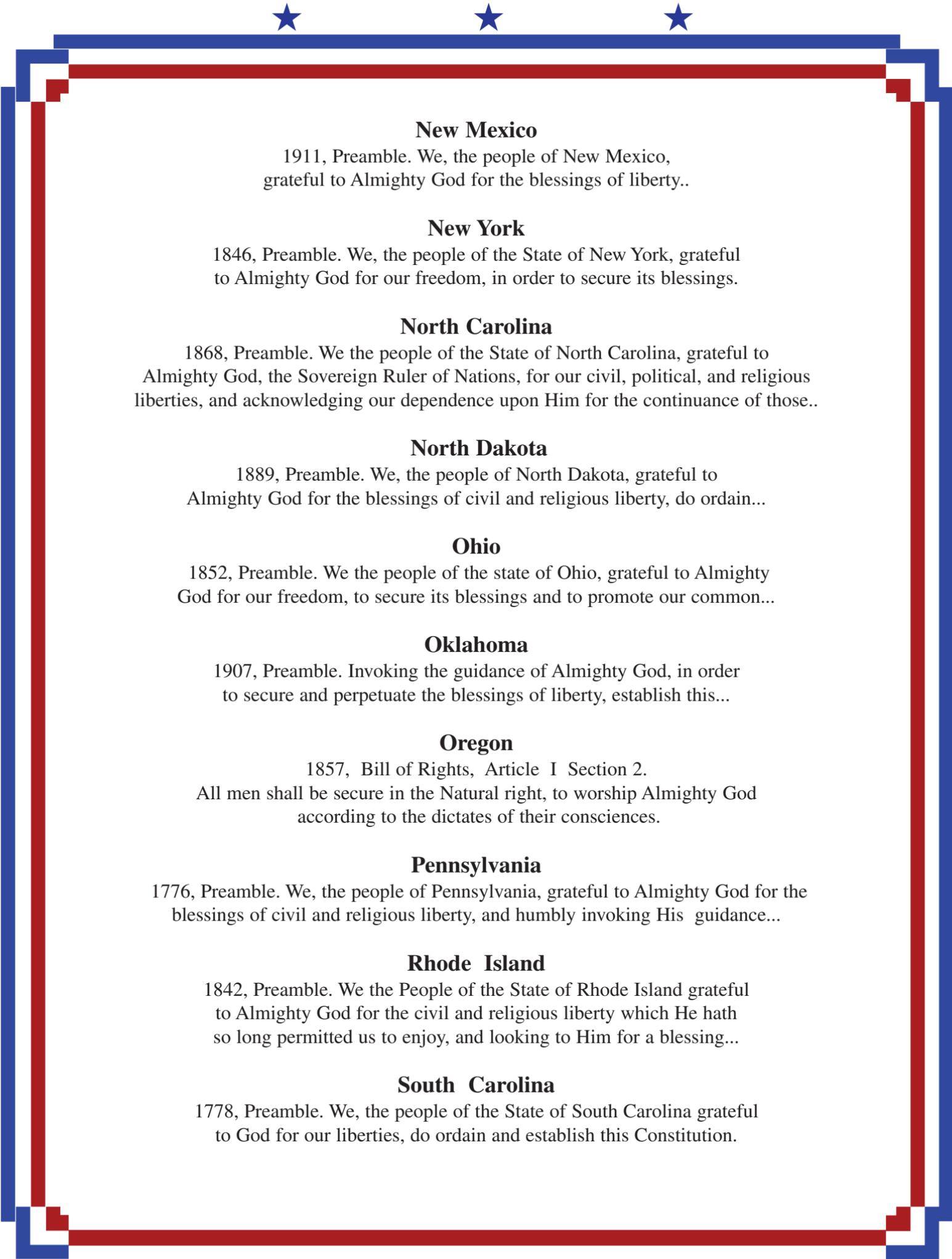
1864, Preamble. We the people of the State of Nevada, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, establish this Constitution...

New Hampshire

1792. Every individual has a natural and unalienable right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience.

New Jersey

1844, Preamble. We, the people of the State of New Jersey, grateful to Almighty God for civil and religious liberty which He hath so long permitted us to enjoy, and looking to Him for a blessing on our endeavors.



New Mexico

1911, Preamble. We, the people of New Mexico,
grateful to Almighty God for the blessings of liberty..

New York

1846, Preamble. We, the people of the State of New York, grateful
to Almighty God for our freedom, in order to secure its blessings.

North Carolina

1868, Preamble. We the people of the State of North Carolina, grateful to
Almighty God, the Sovereign Ruler of Nations, for our civil, political, and religious
liberties, and acknowledging our dependence upon Him for the continuance of those..

North Dakota

1889, Preamble. We, the people of North Dakota, grateful to
Almighty God for the blessings of civil and religious liberty, do ordain...

Ohio

1852, Preamble. We the people of the state of Ohio, grateful to Almighty
God for our freedom, to secure its blessings and to promote our common...

Oklahoma

1907, Preamble. Invoking the guidance of Almighty God, in order
to secure and perpetuate the blessings of liberty, establish this...

Oregon

1857, Bill of Rights, Article I Section 2.
All men shall be secure in the Natural right, to worship Almighty God
according to the dictates of their consciences.

Pennsylvania

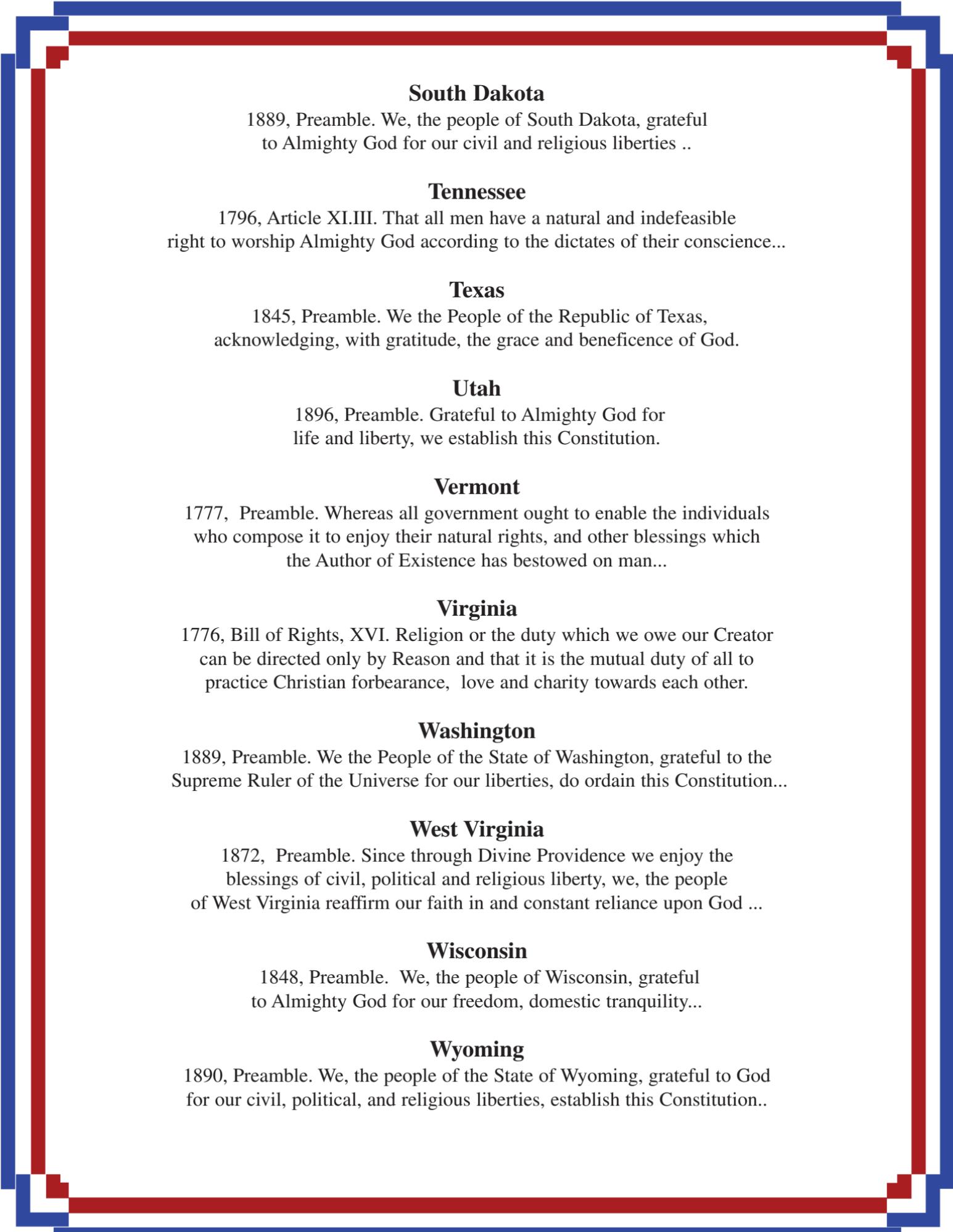
1776, Preamble. We, the people of Pennsylvania, grateful to Almighty God for the
blessings of civil and religious liberty, and humbly invoking His guidance...

Rhode Island

1842, Preamble. We the People of the State of Rhode Island grateful
to Almighty God for the civil and religious liberty which He hath
so long permitted us to enjoy, and looking to Him for a blessing...

South Carolina

1778, Preamble. We, the people of the State of South Carolina grateful
to God for our liberties, do ordain and establish this Constitution.



South Dakota

1889, Preamble. We, the people of South Dakota, grateful to Almighty God for our civil and religious liberties ..

Tennessee

1796, Article XI.III. That all men have a natural and indefeasible right to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of their conscience...

Texas

1845, Preamble. We the People of the Republic of Texas, acknowledging, with gratitude, the grace and beneficence of God.

Utah

1896, Preamble. Grateful to Almighty God for life and liberty, we establish this Constitution.

Vermont

1777, Preamble. Whereas all government ought to enable the individuals who compose it to enjoy their natural rights, and other blessings which the Author of Existence has bestowed on man...

Virginia

1776, Bill of Rights, XVI. Religion or the duty which we owe our Creator can be directed only by Reason and that it is the mutual duty of all to practice Christian forbearance, love and charity towards each other.

Washington

1889, Preamble. We the People of the State of Washington, grateful to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for our liberties, do ordain this Constitution...

West Virginia

1872, Preamble. Since through Divine Providence we enjoy the blessings of civil, political and religious liberty, we, the people of West Virginia reaffirm our faith in and constant reliance upon God ...

Wisconsin

1848, Preamble. We, the people of Wisconsin, grateful to Almighty God for our freedom, domestic tranquility...

Wyoming

1890, Preamble. We, the people of the State of Wyoming, grateful to God for our civil, political, and religious liberties, establish this Constitution..

