

February 23, 1853

Pursuant to the Resolution of the Senate,
and appointment by the Vice-President, the
Farewell Address of George Washington,
was read by me on the 23rd of February,
the 22nd day Sunday.

I noted particularly these words.
"Of all the dispositions and habits
which lead to political prosperity,
religion and morality are indispensable
supports."

and
"It, in the opinion of the people, the distributors
or modifiers of the constituting power be in
any particular way, let it be corrected by
any amendment in the way which the Constitution
designate - But let there be no change by
usurpation - for though this, in one instance
may be the instrument of good, it is the customary
way by which free governments are destroyed."

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