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PRESIDENT SENDS THE MARINES: ARRIVAL HIGHLIGHTS OBSERVANCE

Montpelier, VA—In a demonstration of the supreme authority of the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Services, the President of the United States again sent the Marines to Montpelier, VA.

The Marine Corps deployment began shortly after 12 noon on March 16th and was completed in time for a 1 p.m. ceremony as a special birthday tribute by the President at the tomb of James Madison in the family cemetery situated on the grounds of Madison's historic family estate--Montpelier.

Born on March 16, 1751, Madison served two terms as President of the United States from 1809 to 1819 and sent the Marine Corps on missions throughout the War of 1812. It was while observing Marines fighting under Joshua Barney during that war's Battle of Bladensburg on August 24, 1814—the same day Dolley fled the White House with Stuart's Washington—that Madison almost became the first U.S. President captured in battle.

Headquartered in Arlington, VA, the U.S. Marine Corps is known for its ability to exercise the power of the United States at a moments notice anywhere around the world.

Although grounded in tradition that dates to November 10, 1775 when the Corps was created at the start of the Revolutionary War, with the adoption of the Goldwater-Nichols Act in 1986, the Corps has in recent years achieved a smoother implementation of combined-arms warfare through the utilization of a multi-element task force under a single command.

Americans for Madison Advisory Board member Michael Quinn who serves as president of the Montpelier Foundation leads activities at historic Montpelier, which is just completing an historic restoration of the property's main house and continues to conduct numerous educational programs and archaeological digs throughout the estate including at its unique family cemetery.

Americans for Madison to Offer Federally Compliant Constitutional Day Speakers and Instructional Material to Schools and Colleges

Charlottesville, VA and Princeton, NJ--In response to the 2004 Federal law requiring all Federally funded educational institutions to conduct instruction on the Constitution during the Nation's annual celebration of Constitution Day—September 17th, **Americans for Madison** is joining forces with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and leading Madison scholars at the University of Virginia and Princeton University to offer unique programs that are Federally compliant. **Americans for Madison** Advisory Board Member James G. Basker is President of the Gilder Lehrman Institute.

ELLIS JOINS MADISON BOARD

South Hadley, MA—Pulitzer Prize winning author and leading Mt. Holyoke College historian Joe Ellis has joined the Advisory Board of **Americans for Madison** organized by Hadley Nagel.

Citing his recent opus on the Founding Fathers, [American Creation: Triumphs and Tragedies at the Founding of the Republic](#) (New York: Knopf, 2007), Ellis brings a widely acclaimed understanding of James Madison to the Board, which already includes the leading Madisonian scholar of the past forty years—Ralph Ketchum. Other members of the still in formation Advisory Board include: Columbia's James G. Basker, Princeton's Robert P. George and Sean Wilentz, Brown's Gordon Wood and the University of Virginia's J.C.A. Stagg.

Americans for Madison announce 2nd website to rally National support for HR 3640 and its James Madison Memorial in DC

Mountain View, CA-- Legislation has been introduced before the 110th session of Congress by Baron Hill (D, IN-9th) as HR 3640 that seeks to establish a commission to explore and build a national monument to James Madison. As an organization firmly in support of James Madison,

The display of the Colors of the U.S. Marine Corps was a vibrant part of the Presidential salute given at James Madison's Tomb on March 16th.



Americans for Madison has now opened a second website--<http://www.rallycongress.com/americansformadison/> --designed exclusively to transmit emails to Washington, D.C. legislators regarding HR 3640.



By clicking above you can email instantly your Washington legislator to request their support or Co-Sponsorship of HR 3640.

Formally called the James Madison Memorial Commission Act of 2007, in the spirit of the Jefferson and Lincoln Memorials, HR 3640 seeks the construction of a monument to Madison.

The creation of a national monument to Madison is particularly timely at this moment in history since the eight year bi-centennial cele-

bration of his two consecutive terms as President starts on March 4, 2009.

2004 Law creates Madison Resurgence

Madison, moreover, has received an exponential growth in popularity as a result of the passage in 2004 of Federal legislation mandating that all Federally financed educational institutions conduct relevant constitutional training on Constitution Day--September 17.

As the author of the Constitution and its Bill of Rights, Madison is becoming the primary person featured and discussed during these Constitution Day "compliance" programs.

Representative Brian Baird (D, WA-3) has joined Hill as a Co-Sponsor of HR 3640 which is currently pending before the House's Natural Resources Committee.

NY Historical Society to Present Madison Program

New York City—One of the nation's premier institutions of history is joining with **Americans for Madison** to present an evening in tribute to James Madison on Thursday, October 2.

Details of the evening are still being finalized but events will include a round table discussion about James Madison featuring members of **Americans for Madison** in the Main Auditorium at the New York Historical Society's 270 Central Park West headquarters in New York City. The events begin at 6:30 p.m. and media coverage is expected to include videotaping for subsequent rebroadcast.

Madison served two terms as President of the United States from 1809 to 1817. More historically significant, however, was his role as author of both the Constitution and its Bill of Rights.

In addition, as a political propagandist, Madison joined Alexander Hamilton and John Jay in writing under the pseudonym "Publius" the **Federalist Papers** in a successful effort to gain the State of New York's crucial ratification of the new Constitution during the nation's birth.

Founder named America's

Washington, D.C.— *The Legal Times* has identified **Americans for Madison** founder Hadley Nagel as the youngest lobbyist on Capitol Hill.

...Youngest Lobbyist

Analyzing public documents filed in the office of the Secretary of the Senate, *The Legal Times'* investigative reporter Jeff Horwitz has concluded that Nagel is the "youngest Lobbyist in town."

Following the document path, Horwitz reports that Nagel achieved her unique distinction when the House's Standards

Committee refused —on the basis of her youth and New York City residency—to confirm her special appointment to a Congressional staff as National Coordinator for HR 3640. In NYC, Nagel is a member of The Nightingale-Bamford School's Class of 2009 and--of course—the youngest in her class.

