Parliamentarian Quotes
2021-22

“The Pledge of Allegiance is a promise of loyalty to the United States of America. As we pledge to our beloved flag, may we be joined inseparably with gratitude and deep feelings for the courage of all those who have fought and died for our freedoms – for liberty and justice for all. Cherish your rights, your independence, and above all else, your freedom.” -Madeline J. Barlow

Quotations of Merit

_Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere._

-Martin Luther King, Jr.

September

“Don’t interfere with anything in the Constitution. That must be maintained, for it is the only safeguard of our liberties.”

Abraham Lincoln, an American statesman and lawyer who served as the 16th President of the United States from 1861 until his assassination in 1865. He led the nation through the American Civil War, the country’s greatest moral, cultural, constitutional, and political crisis.

October

“History is not there for you to like or dislike. It is there for you to learn from it.”

Allen Bernard West, an American politician; retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel.

November

“Let us not seek to fix the blame of the past. Let us accept our own responsibility for the future.”

John F. Kennedy, an American politician who served as the 35th President of the United States from 1961 until his assassination in November 1963.

December

“The reason America is a special nation is because it was founded by people who were first on their knees before they were on their feet. We are a nation rooted in our faith.”

Michael Dale Huckabee, an American politician, Christian minister and political commentator; 44th Governor of Arkansas.
January
“Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.”
Martin Luther King, Jr.,
an American Baptist minister and activist who became the most visible spokesperson and leader in the civil rights movement from 1955 to 1968. At the age of thirty-five, he was the youngest man to have received the Nobel Peace Prize.

February
“Whoever would overthrow the liberty of a nation must begin by subduing the freeness of speech.”
Benjamin Franklin,
a Founding Father of the United States, writer, printer, political philosopher, politician, scientist, inventor, statesmen, and diplomat.

March
“We will only remain great if we honor the cornerstone of democracy, which is freedom of speech.”
Stefan Pugh-Morgan,
an English journalist, writer, and editor.

April
“True peace is not merely the absence of war; it is the presence of justice.”
Jane Addams,
an important leader in the history of social work and women’s suffrage in the United States and advocate for world peace.

May
“America is truly the greatest country in the world. Don’t let freedom slip away. After America, there is no place to go!”
Kitty Werthmann,
Austrian born, “A witness to history” being a Holocaust survivor during World War II in Austria; president of the South Dakota Eagle Forum.

America
"My country, ‘tis of thee, sweet land of liberty. . .
From every mountain-side --- Let freedom ring!
Samuel F. Smith

There is no virtue so truly great and godlike as justice.
Joseph Addison

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