

Citizens, it is for you to decide, whether your representatives have employed the authority with which you have entrusted them, for your happiness ; whether they have fulfilled your views in using that authority in a way and upon an occasion, which neither they nor you could foresee. For our parts we have fulfilled our duty, in boldly seizing upon the only means which occurred to us as effectual to the salvation of our country. Ready to meet death at the post to which you have appointed us, we shall at least carry with us on quitting it, the consolation of having well served. Whatever judgment our contemporaries or posterity may pass upon us, we have not to dread the decision of our own conscience : to whatever danger we may be exposed, we shall have the satisfaction remaining of having prevented streams of French blood, which a more indecisive conduct would infallibly have produced ; we shall at least escape from the stings of remorse, nor shall we have to represent to ourselves that we saw the means of saving our country, but feared to adopt them.

(Signed)

GUADET, *President*

GOUJON

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LECOINTE-PURRAVAUX, *Secretaries.*

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