

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5010

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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION making application to the Congress
2 of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing
3 amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose limits
4 on the federal government.

5 WHEREAS, The founders of our Constitution empowered state
6 legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the
7 federal government; and

8 WHEREAS, The federal government has created a crushing national
9 debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

10 WHEREAS, The federal government has invaded the legitimate roles
11 of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most
12 of which are unfunded to a great extent; and

13 WHEREAS, The federal government has ceased to live under a proper
14 interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and

15 WHEREAS, It is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of
16 our people — particularly for the generations to come — by proposing
17 amendments to the Constitution of the United States through a
18 convention of the states under Article V for the purpose of restraining
19 these and related abuses of power: Now, therefore,

20 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas,*
21 *the Senate concurring therein:* The legislature of the state of Kansas
22 hereby applies to Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the
23 Constitution of the United States, for the calling of a convention of the
24 states limited to proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United
25 States that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the
26 power and jurisdiction of the federal government and limit the terms of
27 office for its officials and for members of Congress; and

28 *Be it further resolved:* This application constitutes a continuing
29 application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United
30 States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have
31 made application on the same subject; and

32 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of

1 Representatives shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to the
2 President and Secretary of the United States Senate and the Speaker and
3 the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, to the members
4 of the United States Senate and the United States House of
5 Representatives from this state and to the presiding officers of each of the
6 legislative chambers in the several states.