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February 23, 2017

The Honorable Karen Haas  
Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives  
U.S. Capitol, Room H154  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Clerk,

Pursuant to section 3(c) of House Resolution 5 (114<sup>th</sup> Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the State of Arizona, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1979, as purporting to be an application of the State legislature calling for a convention for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States pursuant to Article V, and request that you make it publicly available.

Sincerely,



Bob Goodlatte  
Chairman

# STATE OF ARIZONA

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA }  
STATE OF ARIZONA } SS.

*I*, **ROSE MOFFORD**, *Secretary of State,*

*do hereby certify that* ~ THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT IS A TRUE, CORRECT, AND COMPLETE COPY OF HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 2001, THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 1979; THAT I AM THE OFFICIAL OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA HAVING CUSTODY AND CONTROL OF THE ORIGINAL OF SAID COPY AND THE LEGAL KEEPER THEREOF. ~~~~~



*In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona. Done at Phoenix, the capital, this* ~10th~ *day of* ~ May ~ *A.D.* ~ 1979 ~

*Rose Mofford*

ROSE MOFFORD  
SECRETARY OF STATE

State of Arizona  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-fourth Legislature  
First Regular Session  
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**ROSE MOFFORD**  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL 2001

A JOINT MEMORIAL

REQUESTING THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO PROPOSE OR CALL A CONVENTION TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO REPEAL THE SIXTEENTH ARTICLE OF AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES PROHIBITING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES FROM TAXING PERSONAL INCOMES, ESTATES OR GIFTS AND FROM ENGAGING IN ANY BUSINESS, PROFESSIONAL, COMMERCIAL, FINANCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISE EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED IN THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES.

1 To the Congress of the United States of America:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, the people of the State of Arizona view with growing concern  
4 the interference of the Government of the United States in the individual  
5 rights and liberties of all persons.

6 Wherefore your memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Arizona,  
7 prays:

8 1. That the Congress of the United States propose to the state  
9 legislatures an amendment to the Constitution of the United States or call  
10 a convention for such purpose, as provided by law, to add to the  
11 Constitution of the United States an article providing as follows:

12 ARTICLE \_\_\_\_\_

13 Section 1. The Government of the United States shall not engage in  
14 any business, professional, commercial, financial or industrial enterprise  
15 except as specified in the Constitution.

16 Section 2. The Constitution or laws of any state or the laws of the  
17 United States shall not be subject to the terms of any foreign or domestic  
18 agreement which would abrogate this amendment.

19 Section 3. The activities of the United States Government which  
20 violate the intent and purposes of this amendment shall, within a period of  
21 three years from the date of ratification of this amendment, be liquidated  
22 and the properties and facilities affected shall be sold.

23 Section 4. Three years after the ratification of this amendment the  
24 sixteenth article of amendments to the Constitution of the United States  
25 shall stand repealed, and thereafter Congress shall not levy taxes on  
26 personal incomes, estates or gifts.

27 2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona is directed  
28 to send a duly certified copy of this Memorial to the President of the  
29 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of  
30 Representatives and to each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

Passed the House - March 9, 1979 by the following vote: 34 Ayes, 24 Nays, 2 Not Voting  
Passed the Senate - April 18, 1979 by the following vote: 19 Ayes, 11 Nays, 0 Not Voting  
Filed in the Office of the Secretary of State - April 19, 1979