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September 27, 2016

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 (114th Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the State of North Dakota, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1967, 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

Fortieth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota begun and held at the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Tuesday, the third day of January, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-seven.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION "I-1"

(Dornacker)

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M-168
90th Cong.

A concurrent resolution applying to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, relating to apportionment.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has ruled that membership in both houses of a bicameral state legislature must be apportioned only according to population; and

WHEREAS, for 175 years the people of the various states have had the freedom to apportion their legislatures in the manner they felt best reflected the best interests of the people, recognizing that a system of apportionment that might be best for one state might not necessarily accommodate the needs of another state, but that each should be free to make its own selection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Legislature respectfully petitions the Congress of the United States to call a Constitutional Convention for the purpose of submitting a Constitutional Amendment to the States which will secure to the people the right of some choice in the method of apportionment of one house of a state legislature on a basis other than population alone; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution is rescinded if the Congress itself proposes such a plan to the states for ratification; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a duly attested copy of this Resolution be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of the Senate of

the United States and to the Clerk of the House of Representatives
of the United States.

Frederic S. Amoth
Speaker of the House

G. R. Gilchrist
Chief Clerk of the House.

Charles McNair
President of the Senate

Leo Leidholm
Secretary of the Senate