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February 19, 2015

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 Florida, received by the House of Representatives in the year 2014, 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



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26 WHEREAS, a federal single-subject amendment would provide
 27 the means to limit pork barrel spending, control the phenomenon
 28 of legislating through riders, limit omnibus legislation
 29 produced by logrolling, prevent public surprise, and increase
 30 the institutional accountability of Congress and its members,
 31 and

32 WHEREAS, it is Florida's hope and desire that Congress will
 33 be able to conduct its business in a more productive, efficient,
 34 transparent, and less acrimonious way with a single-subject
 35 requirement, and

36 WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States
 37 makes provision for amending the Constitution on the application
 38 of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, calling
 39 a convention for proposing amendments that shall be valid to all
 40 intents and purposes if ratified by the legislatures of three-
 41 fourths of the several states or by conventions in three-fourths
 42 thereof, as the one or the other mode of ratification may be
 43 proposed by Congress, NOW, THEREFORE,

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 45 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 47 (1) That the Legislature of the State of Florida, with all
 48 due respect, does hereby make application to the Congress of the
 49 United States pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the
 50 United States to call a convention for the sole purpose of



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51 proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States
52 to provide that Congress shall pass no bill, and no bill shall
53 become law, which embraces more than one subject, that subject
54 to be clearly expressed in the bill's title.

55 (2) That this memorial is revoked and withdrawn,
56 nullified, and superseded to the same effect as if it had never
57 been passed, and be retroactive to the date of passage, if it is
58 used for the purpose of calling a convention or used in support
59 of conducting a convention to amend the Constitution of the
60 United States for any purpose other than requiring that every
61 law enacted by Congress embrace only one subject, which shall be
62 clearly expressed in the title.

63 (3) That this application constitutes a continuing
64 application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of
65 the United States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds
66 of the states have made applications on the same subject.

67 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
68 dispatched to the President of the United States, to the
69 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
70 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of
71 the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

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