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A JOINT RESOLUTION APPLYING TO CONGRESS FOR AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION OF THE STATES WITH THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

Whereas, the founders of the United States Constitution empowered state legislators to be guardians against actual or potential abuses of power by the federal government; and

Whereas, the federal government has increasingly usurped legitimate roles of the states; and

Whereas, the federal government has created a crushing national debt through unsustainable budgeting and spending; and

Whereas, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect freedom and opportunity for our citizens, including the generations to come; and

Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States authorizes a process to propose amendments to the United States Constitution through a convention of the states to place clear restraints on these and related abuses of power; Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

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**SECTION 1.** The legislature of the State of North Carolina hereby applies to Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for the calling of a convention of the states limited to proposing amendments to the United States Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress.

**SECTION 2.** This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject.

**SECTION 3.** The Secretary of State shall transmit copies of this application to the President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the members of North Carolina's congressional delegation, and the presiding officers of all state legislatures in the several states requesting their cooperation.

**SECTION 4.** This resolution is effective upon ratification.

