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October 24, 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 (114<sup>th</sup> Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the State of Wyoming, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1961, 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 Wyoming

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

THIRTY-SIXTH STATE LEGISLATURE OF

THE STATE OF WYOMING

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WHEREAS, governments should be required to operate within their income;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies thereof be promptly transmitted to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives of said Congress, United States Senator J. J. Hickey, United States Senator Gale W. McGee, Representative in Congress William Henry Harrison, United States Senator Styles Bridges, and United States Senator Harry F. Byrd.

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