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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 (114<sup>th</sup> Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the State of Alabama, 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

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 11

By: Mr. Cooper

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WHEREAS, The relationship that exists between the Federal Government and the government of the states is a matter of vital concern; and

WHEREAS, The states play an indispensable role in our Federal system of government; and

WHEREAS, Unless the trend toward restrictive categoric federal grants is reversed, these grants will so entwine themselves that a state's freedom of movement will be significantly inhibited; and

WHEREAS, There is a need and a justification for broader unfettered grants that will give states and localities more freedom of choice, more opportunity to express their own initiative which reflects their particular needs and preferences, all within the overall direction of national purpose; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Alabama, the House of Representatives concurring, That this Legislature respectfully petitions the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing the following Article as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

"ARTICLE

"Beginning with the first full fiscal year after ratification of this amendment by the requisite number of states, there shall be remitted to all of the states of these United States, an amount determined by the Secretary of the Treasury to be equal to not less than 5% of the aggregate total of individual and corporate income taxes paid to the United States during the preceding calendar year. "Such funds shall be remitted to the States without restriction and this remission of funds shall be in addition to any other federal grant programs which may be enacted by the Congress. "Each state shall share in such remission in proportion as the population of such State bears to the total population of all of the States, according to the last preceding Federal census."; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That if Congress shall have proposed an amendment to the Constitution identical with that contained in this resolution prior to July 1, 1969, this application for a convention shall no longer be of any force or effect; 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 the Clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States and to each Member of Congress from this State.

I hereby certify that the above is a true, correct and accurate copy of Senate Joint Resolution No. 11 by Mr. Cooper, adopted by the Legislature of Alabama on April 5, 1967.

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Secretary of Senate