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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 Louisiana, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1970, 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

BY: MESSRS. WILLIAMSON, MILLS, A. D. BROWN, AULDS, STRAIN, FULCO AND  
WALLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Memorializing the Congress of the United States with respect  
to calling of a convention for the purposes of proposing  
an amendment to the Constitution of the United States  
to provide that no person by reason of race, color, creed  
or national origin be refused admission to or be excluded from  
any public school or be compelled to attend a designated public  
school.

ORIGINATED

IN THE

House of Representatives

*W. Russell Cole*

Clerk of the House of Representatives

Received by Secretary of State  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 1920

*Wade O. Martin*  
Secretary of State

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

BY: MESSRS. WILLIAMSON, MILLS, A. D. BROWN, AULDS, STRAIN, FULCO AND  
WALLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Memorializing the Congress of the United States with respect to calling of a convention for the purposes of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that no person by reason of race, color, creed or national origin be refused admission to or be excluded from any public school or be compelled to attend a designated public school.

WHEREAS, each and every state of this nation is presently experiencing grave problems in the administration of their public educational systems; and

WHEREAS, one area of deep concern to the various school boards or districts in the various states is the present uncertainty associated with integration of the public schools and the means or methods utilized to achieve that end; and

WHEREAS, there is a great need for the adoption of an amendment to the United States Constitution clarifying the above described problem area by uniformly authorizing the school boards throughout the nation to administer their school systems on the basis of "freedom of choice plans."


THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana, the Senate thereof concurring that, in conformity with Article V of the Constitution of the United States, application is hereby made by the Legislature of Louisiana to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for the purpose proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which shall read substantially as follows:

"Article \_\_\_\_\_

No person shall by reason of race, color, creed or national origin be refused admission to or be excluded from any public school or be compelled to attend a designated public school."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if Congress shall have proposed an amendment to the Constitution to achieve substantially the same objective as provided herein prior to January 1, 1974, then application for a convention shall no longer be of any force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that duly attested copies of this Concurrent Resolution shall be transmitted immediately by the Secretary of State of Louisiana to the President and Secretary of the Senate of the Congress of the United States, to the Speaker and Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, to the Secretary of State of the United States and to each member of the Congress from the State of Louisiana.

  
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

A TRUE COPY:  
WADE O. MARTIN, JR.  
SECRETARY OF STATE