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August 1, 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,

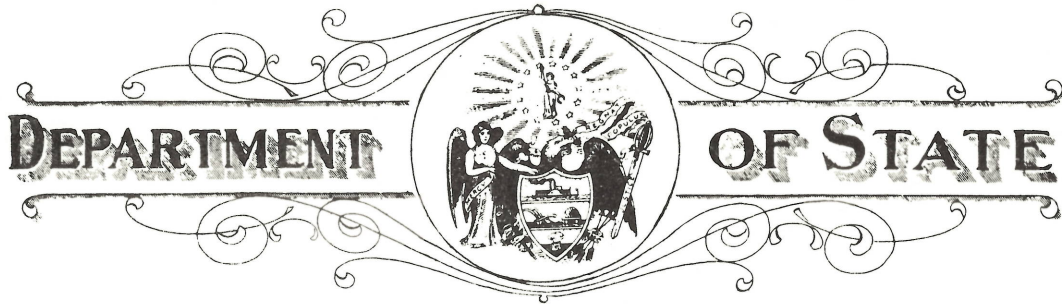
Pursuant to section 3(c) of House Resolution 5 (114th Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the state of Arkansas, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1977, as purporting to be an application of the State legislature calling for a convention for proposing amendments 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 ARKANSAS



WINSTON BRYANT, SECRETARY OF STATE

*To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting
I, Winston Bryant, Secretary of State of the State of Arkansas,
do hereby certify that the following and hereto attached instrument
of writing is a true and perfect copy of*

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NUMBER 2

OF 1977, FILED IN THE OFFICE OF

SECRETARY OF STATE ON FEBRUARY 25, 1977.



*In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed my official Seal
Done at office in the City of Little Rock,*

this 6th *day of* May 1977.

Winston Bryant
Secretary of State

By _____
Deputy.

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By: Representative Willems

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE CALLING OF A CONVENTION FOR PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES TO PROVIDE THAT EVERY HUMAN BEING SUBJECT TO THE JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES OR ANY STATE SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE A PERSON FROM THE MOMENT OF CONCEPTION OR FERTILIZATION, AND ENTITLED TO THE RIGHT TO LIFE GUARANTEED IN THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States guarantees the right to life, and this right to life should be proclaimed to exist from the moment of conception or fertilization; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States provides that upon application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the states, the U. S. Congress shall call a constitutional convention for proposing constitutional amendments,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, AND BY THE SENATE, A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF EACH HOUSE AGREEING THERETO:

SECTION 1. The State of Arkansas hereby applies to the Congress of the United States of America, under the authority granted in Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution and to do the following:

(a) With respect to the right to life guaranteed in the United States Constitution, to provide that every human being subject to the jurisdiction of the United States or any state shall be deemed from the moment of fertilization to be a person and entitled to the right to life.

(b) To provide that Congress and the several states shall have concurrent powers to enforce such an amendment by appropriate legislation.

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SECTION 2. The constitutional convention applied for herein shall be held for the sole purpose of considering a constitutional amendment described in Section 1 hereof.

SECTION 3. Copies of this Resolution shall be sent to the legislatures of all the states, to the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Senate in Washington, D. C., requesting the several states to also pass an identical application to the United States Congress so as to meet the constitutional requirements for application for such a convention by two-thirds of the states.

Frank J. Hallen

RESOLUTION

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE
Robert H. Taft

John P. Cullen
PRESIDENT OF SENATE