August 29, 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 Texas, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1973, 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
I, MARK W. WHITE, JR., Secretary of State of
The State of Texas DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the attached
is a true and correct copy of House Concurrent Resolution
No. 4, 62nd Legislature, Fourth Called Session, 1972 as
signed by the Governor on November 2, 1972 and filed in
the office of Secretary of State on November 2, 1972 at
10:45 a.m.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto
signed my name officially and caused to be im-
pressed hereon the Seal of State at my office in
the City of Austin, this
6th day of April, A.D. 1973.

Mark White
Secretary of State
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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, the Senate concurring:

That the Legislature of the State of Texas, pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States, hereby makes application to the Congress of the United States to call a convention for proposing the following amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

No student shall be assigned to nor compelled to attend any particular public school on account of race, religion, color or national origin; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states have made similar applications pursuant to Article V. If Congress proposes an amendment to the Constitution identical with that contained in this resolution before January 1, 1974, this application for a state application shall no longer be of any force or effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That since this method of proposing amendments to the Constitution has never been completed to the point of calling a convention and no interpretation of the power of the states in the exercise of this right has ever been made by any court or any qualified tribunal, if there be such, and since the exercise of the power is a matter of basic sovereign rights and the interpretation thereof is primarily in the sovereign government...
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making such exercise and since the power to use such right in full also carries the power to use such right in part the Legislature of the State of Texas interprets Article V to mean that if two-thirds of the states make application for a convention to propose an identical amendment to the Constitution for ratification with a limitation that such amendment be the only matter before it, that such convention would have power only to propose the specified amendment and would be limited to such proposal and would not have power to vary the text thereof nor would it have power to propose other amendments on the same or different propositions; and, be it further

RESOLVER, That copies of this Resolution be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Texas delegation to the United States Congress.

Ben Barnes
Lieutenant Governor
President of the Senate

Jim Mc će
Speaker of the House

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I hereby certify that H.C.R. No. 4 was adopted by the House on October 9, 1972, by the following vote: Yeas 106, Nays 21.

[Signature]
Chief Clerk of the House

I hereby certify that H.C.R. No. 4 was adopted by the Senate on October 17, 1972.

[Signature]
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: November 2, 1972

[Signature]
Governor