February 19, 2015

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 Florida, received by the House of Representatives in the year 2014, 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 Memorial 458

A memorial to the Congress of the United States,
applying to Congress to call a convention for the sole
purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution
of the United States which requires a balanced federal
budget.

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Florida passed
Senate Concurrent Resolution 10 on April 21, 2010, and
WHEREAS, Senate Concurrent Resolution 10 made application
to Congress to call a convention for proposing amendments
pursuant to Article V of the Constitution of the United States
for two purposes: to achieve and maintain a balanced federal
budget and to control the ability of Congress and federal
executive agencies to dictate to states requirements for the
expenditure of federal funds, and
WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Florida desires to
conform to the single subject applications from Alabama, Alaska,
Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland,
Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New
Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and
Texas and limit its application to Congress for the sole purpose
of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United
States to require a balanced federal budget, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

(1) That the Legislature of the State of Florida hereby
applies to Congress, under Article V of the Constitution of the
United States, to call a convention limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution requiring that, in the absence of a national emergency, the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year, together with any related and appropriate fiscal restraints.

(2) That this application is to be considered as covering the same subject matter as the presently outstanding balanced budget applications from other states and is to be aggregated with the applications from those states for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds number of states necessary to require the calling of a convention, but may not be aggregated with applications on any other subject calling for a constitutional convention under Article V of the United States Constitution.

(3) That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the states have made applications on the same subject and supersedes all previous applications by this Legislature on the same subject.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial 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 Florida delegation to the United States Congress.