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1	House Memorial
2	A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging
3	Congress to propose to the states an amendment to the
4	Constitution of the United States that would limit the
5	terms of office of members of the Congress to 12 years.
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7	WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States
8	authorizes Congress to propose amendments to the Constitution
9	which shall become valid when ratified by the states, and
10	WHEREAS, a continuous and growing concern has been
11	expressed that the best interests of this nation will be served
12	by limiting the terms of members of Congress, a concern
13	expressed by the founding fathers, incorporated into the
14	Articles of Confederation, attempted through legislation adopted
15	by state legislatures, and documented in recent media polls,
16	NOW, THEREFORE,
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18	Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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20	That the Florida Legislature respectfully petitions the
21	Congress of the United States to propose to the states an
22	amendment to the Constitution of the United States to read as
23	follows:
24	ARTICLE
25	A person may not appear on the ballot for re-election to
26	the office of Senator or Representative in Congress if, by the
27	end of the current term of office, the person will have served,

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28 or but for resignation, would have served, in that office for 29 twelve consecutive years.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be 31 dispatched to the President of the United States, to the 32 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the 33 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of 34 the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

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