

House Memorial

A memorial to the Congress of the United States,
 urging Congress to propose to the states an amendment
 to the United States Constitution to limit the number
 of United States Supreme Court Justices who may serve
 concurrently to nine.

WHEREAS, Article III of the United States Constitution,
 which establishes the judicial branch of government, affords
 Congress significant discretion to determine the shape and
 structure of the federal judiciary, and

WHEREAS, the United States Constitution does not limit the
 number of United States Supreme Court Justices who may
 concurrently sit on the United States Supreme Court, and

WHEREAS, since 1896, the number of United States Supreme
 Court Justices who have concurrently served on the bench has
 remained at nine, and

WHEREAS, the United States would be well-served to ensure
 that the number of justices remains constant, and

WHEREAS, Congress has drafted a Congressional Joint
 Resolution to amend the United States Constitution to limit the
 number of justices who may concurrently serve on the United
 States Supreme Court to nine, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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27 That Congress is urged to propose to the states an
28 amendment to the United States Constitution to limit the number
29 of United States Supreme Court Justices who may serve
30 concurrently to nine.

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