

**Kansas House Concurrent Resolution No. 5010**  
***Making application to the U.S. Congress to call a convention of the states***

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Dear Representatives, Committee Members, Ladies and Gentlemen –

I am a concerned American. As a Louisburg, Kansas resident, and a father of 3 young children, I am gravely concerned about the direction this country is heading – and the progressive agenda that's been driving Washington for a number of years. We live in an era of NSA spying, IRS targeting, a broken Dept. of Justice, crony capitalism, multiple federal agencies with well-armed SWAT teams, and an administration that will tell lies to "stupid American voters" to get major legislation passed. It has also become apparent that many Republicans in the federal government will not truly stand for "We the People," the Constitution they swore to uphold, and the rule of law.

So now we're on a slippery slope – with a president who has decided he can make laws – in clear violation of the Constitution. This is not only concerning – it's scary.

I strongly urge you to support HCR 5010 – to ensure that Kansas plays an active role in pushing for an Article V convention of the states.

Such a convention could yield amendments regarding –

- Terms limits for members of the US Congress, and Supreme Court judges
- The restoration of the US Senate – with Senators chosen by their state legislatures
- Limits on federal spending, taxing and the federal bureaucracy
- The protection of private property

A "runaway" convention? I don't think so – as any amendment must be ratified by three-fourths of the states.

Amending the Constitution, through the Article V process, and wresting power from the Federal government, was the "out" our Founders knew one day we would need. Sadly, that day is now here. I believe this is our only hope as a Republic, and my only hope for the future of my children.

Finally, I would encourage you to move with some haste. This resolution was introduced on January 29th – since then, an executive order on immigration has now been funded, and the Federal government has taken over the internet with 332 pages of secret regulations. I ask you – what else may happen if we fail to act?

Thank you for your support and your time.

May God bless us.