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House Joint Resolution 22 Federal Constitutional CONVENTION: Term Limits

Sponsor Statement

“A Resolution requesting the United States Congress to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the U.S. House and Senate; and to call for a constitutional convention of the states to propose a single amendment to the Constitution of The United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House and Senate.”

At the request of U.S. Term Limits, I am bringing forth this Resolution. In a poll from Jan 2-8th of 2025, 84% of respondents in Alaska favored Term limits. If we want fresh ideas and younger legislators, this will create the opportunities to do so. Currently 11 states have passed similar resolutions for term limits, and 3 other states have legislation in committee. It takes 34 states to bypass congress to call a convention to propose a congressional term limits amendment.

A third of our U.S. Senate is 70 years or older, including several members who were born prior to World War 2! Over the last 20 years, the U.S. House incumbents have a 94% re-election rate. The Senate numbers are not much better. Last year 100% of senate incumbents were re-elected. It is time to change the way things are done in Washington and send a clear message that Alaska wants Term limits.