## HCR4, HJR14 Support Document - emails

From: <<u>knikhusky@1791.com</u>> Date: March 7, 2015 at 1:48:18 PM AKST To: <<u>rep.shelley.hughes@akleg.gov</u>> Subject: Countermand Amendment Convention & Delegate Resolution

To: Representative Shelley Hughes

SUBJECT: Application for Countermand Amendment Convention and Delegate Resolution with Countermand Amendment

I am writing to testify for the passage of the two resolutions that the Alaska Legislature is entertaining. The first being the Application to Congress to call for a Countermand Amendment Convention. This is an important first resolution and step to get to the 34 States to convene an Countermand Amendment Convention. The second and very important resolution is the Delegate Resolution with the language of the Countermand Amendment tied directly to the resolution.

This is important in that it defines the Countermand Amendment Convention as to Article 4, Section 4 which defines a Republican form of a convention (majority vote) and that all votes are one State, one Vote, (see the first Whereas). Just as important is it defines and declares the delegates are bound to any State that has this and they must vote for the approved Countermand Amendment. This maintains State Legislative Sovereignty by ensuring the State Legislature is the deliberative body and controls the Delegates from start to end. This resolution further defines the appointment of delegates, a Delegate Credential Committee to oversee the delegates, the convention rules and procedures as well as the duties of the delegates, alternate delegates and oath taken for both primary and alternate delegates. Lastly it defines the text of the Countermand Amendment to be voted on by all the States at the convention.

Once 26 States or more, pass this Delegate Resolution and Countermand Amendment and once the convention is called by Congress and the convention approves the language of the Countermand Amendment, then the convention is over and will have been safe, efficient and very timely. Of added importance is that this same Delegate Resolution should be used for any other proposed Amendments that Alaska or other States approve. This then sets a very favorable precedence of the safety and efficiency of any and all other amendment conventions that may occur at a later date.

Sincerely,

Sandi Williams

Wasilla, Alaska

Cc: Mike Coons Subject: Countermand Amendment

Dear Rep. Hughes and Stoltze

I am writing in support of the countermand amendment. I am not ordinarily in favor of legislation that calls for a convention of the states, but I believe the language in SJR 15 and HJR 14 is sufficient to restrict the conventions consideration to this one item.

If there was a mechanism in the constitution that allowed the states recourse, particularly when there are individuals running the U.S. Senate such as Harry Reid and officials such as Sandy Jewell and Arne Duncan and reduce the ability of Washington, D.C. to engage in activities that the vast majority of Americans do not support. An amendment that allows, actions by the states as stated below would circumvent many actions.

"a vote of three-fifths of the state legislatures, to nullify and repeal a federal 9 statute, executive order, judicial decision, regulatory decision by a federal government agency, or government mandate imposed on the states by law that adversely affects the interests of the states, in order to properly exercise the states' constitutional authority to check federal power, preserve state sovereignty, and protect the rights of the states and the people"

There are a vast array of policy measures over the past few years where I believe legislation the countermand would have already overturned--among them Obama Care, Common Core and other egregious issues regarding the implementation of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, bans on ammunition and issues regarding PM2.5 and the disposition of federal lands are among the many issues that countermand could be used to address.

The countermand has the potential to be a vital tool for states to defend the blessings of liberty. It is my hope that you support passage of the amendment.

Sincerely,

Barbara Haney, North Pole, Alaska

From: Daniel Hamm [mailto:daniel\_hamm@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 2:28 PM
To: Rep. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Bill Stoltze
Subject: US Countermand Convention Resolution

Representative Hughes & Senator Stoltze,

I wish to express my support for HJR 14/SJR 15- "A Call for a US Countermand Resolution." I believe this resolution could have a strong effect towards maintaining states' rights. Sincerely,

Daniel Hamm Palmer, Alaska

From: Ric Davidge [mailto:pm@cyalaska.com]
Sent: Monday, March 09, 2015 2:38 PM
To: Rep. Shelley Hughes
Subject: support for countermand amendment resolution

Shelley,

Just to confirm with you that I am a VERY strong supporter of this effort as we discussed when I was in Juneau.

If you need anything from me on the Republican or Dem side, just ask.

## Ric Davidge, author

## 'The Second American Revolution – first 100 days'

From: Carol Carman [mailto:carcar@mtaonline.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2015 4:17 AM
To: Rep. Shelley Hughes; Sen. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Countermand Amendment

I fully support the Countermand Amendment. I see that it may save our country from our current slide into tyranny. Thank you for sponsoring it!

Carol Carman

From: Dorothy Denison [mailto:dorothyd2ak@hotmail.com] Sent: Thursday, March 19, 2015 4:09 PM To: Rep. Shelley Hughes Subject: HJR 14

Representative Hughes,

I support a convention of the states. The Federal government will not fix itself and it certainly needs repair. HJR 14 calling for the convention of the states is very important to me. It is now up to the states to push back the out of control Federal government. Please support this action. Thank you for your service to Alaska and our nation. Dorothy Denison

Sent from my iPad