SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to the calling of a convention proposing amendments to the United States Constitution.

WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a Convention to be called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution upon application of two-thirds of the Legislatures of the several states ("amendments convention"); and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of Missouri favors the proposal and ratification of an amendment to said Constitution which shall provide that the annual expenditures of the federal government shall not exceed the annual revenue for any year, except in time of war, and that further prohibits Congress from raising taxes without approval of two-thirds of the Legislatures of the States:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of the Missouri Senate, Ninety-sixth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the House of Representatives concurring therein, hereby respectfully applies, as provided for in Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for an amendments convention to be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment which shall provide that the annual expenditures of the federal government shall not exceed the annual revenue for any year, except in time of war, and that further prohibits Congress from raising taxes without approval of two-thirds of the Legislatures of the States; and

BEIT FURTHER RESOLVED that the amendments convention contemplated by this application shall be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the Constitution providing that the annual expenditures of the federal government shall not exceed the annual revenue for any year, except in time of war, and that further prohibits Congress from raising taxes without approval of two-thirds of the Legislatures of the States; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two-thirds of the Legislatures of the several States have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this application be dispatched by the Secretary of the Missouri Senate to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, each member of the Missouri Congressional delegation, and the presiding officers of each house of the several State Legislatures requesting their cooperation in applying for the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by this application.

