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August 1, 2016

The Honorable Karen Haas Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives U.S. Capitol, Room H154 Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Clerk,

Pursuant to section 3(c) of House Resolution 5 (114th Congress), I hereby designate the attached Memorial from the state of New Jersey, received by the House of Representatives in the year 1977, as purporting to be an application of the State legislature calling for a convention for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States pursuant to Article V, and request that you make it publicly available.

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Clerk of the United States House of Representatives

This is to certify that pursuant to Article V the Constitution of the United States the New Jersey Legislature has passed 1976 Senate No. 1271, a true copy of which is annexed hereto.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal at Trenton, this twenty-fourth day of March one thousand nine hundred and seventy-seven.

Assistant Secretary of State

SENATE, No. 1271

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MARCH 29, 1976

By Senators MARESSA, MUSTO, TUMULTY, SKEVIN, BUEHLER, ORECHIO, LYNCH, RUSSO, McGAHN, ZANE, MERLINO, BEDELL, DWYER and SCARDINO

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

An Act to provide for the application by the State of New Jersey to the Congress of the United States for the calling of a convention for proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1 1. The State of New Jersey hereby applies to the Congress of
- 2 the United States of America under Article V of the United States
- 3 Constitution to call a convention for proposing an amendment to
- 4 the United States Constitution to do the following:
- 5 a. With respect to the right to life guaranteed in the United
- 6 States Constitution, provide that every human being subject to the
- 7 jurisdiction of the United States or any state shall be deemed
- 8 from the moment of fertilization to be a person and entitled to the
- 9 right to life.
- b. Provide that Congress and the several states shall have con-
- 11 current powers to enforce such an amendment by appropriate
- 12 legislation.
- 13 The purpose of the Constitutional Convention shall be to only
- 14 consider the above and no other business.
- 2. Copies of this act shall be sent to the legislatures of all the
- 2 states, to the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives
- 3 and to the Secretary of the Senate in Washington, D.C., requesting
- 4 the several states to also pass an identical application to the United
- 5 States Congress so as to meet the Constitutional requirements for
- 6 application for such a convention by two-thirds of the states.
- 1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The purpose of this bill is expressed in its title.