

Written Testimony in **SUPPORT of- Senate Joint Resolution SJ8**, concerning -United States Constitution – Amendments Convention – Limitations on Federal Power

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

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Dear Committee Chair, the Honorable Senator Paul Pinsky, and EHEA Committee Members,

Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen. I'll be brief. I'm Will Zwart, I live in Queen Anne's County, and I'm here to warn you of a real and imminent threat.

Our futures, our families, and our freedom are being threatened right now. And not from any foreign enemy, but by our own federal government. The extremists in Washington has made it abundantly clear through mandates, federal supremacy, judicial activism, and even forceful intimidation, that they do not want to represent America. They want to rule it. They don't want 50 states, they don't want 50 state legislatures.

You've experienced this! Over 75% of the decisions made by the Federal Government should legally and lawfully be made by state legislatures. But Washington will never defer to the wisdom of the states because they don't trust you.

Haven't they said already that "state legislatures are blocking our progress"? So because either you're in the minority, or simply because you're in the same party as them, they say you have to fall in lockstep.

Well, Article Five of the U.S. Constitution says you don't. And they know it. And they're desperately trying to divide us and suppress us, because they're afraid that when we realize the power we have, we will wield that power, and take back our country. From Georgia to Massachusetts, states are realizing this truth:

That a Convention of States will increase the power of the people - your power - and decrease that of those who seek to control you. This resolution will gain you back the authority, wealth, and respect, that is legally and lawfully yours.

You have a rare opportunity to cement yourselves in history as the heroes who saved America. Don't let it slip away.

It is time for both sides of the aisle to unite against these intolerant federal thugs who want to destroy the aisle. I charge you to approve this Article V Resolution and bring it to the floor, so we might preserve liberty, because make no mistake, once they've taken all my freedom, they're coming for yours.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Will Zwart