A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION making application to the Congress
of the United States to call a convention for the purpose of proposing
amendments to the Constitution of the United States that impose limits
on the federal government.
WHEREAS, The founders of our Constitution empowered state
legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the
federal government; and
WHEREAS, The federal government has created a crushing national
debt through improper and imprudent spending; and
WHEREAS, The federal government has invaded the legitimate roles
of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most
of which are unfunded to a great extent; and
WHEREAS, The federal government has ceased to live under a proper
interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and
WHEREAS, It is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of
our people particularly for the generations to come by proposing
amendments to the Constitution of the United States through a convention
of the states under Article V for the purpose of restraining these and
related abuses of power: Now, therefore,
Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Kansas, two-thirds of
the members elected (or appointed) to the Senate and two-thirds of the
members elected (or appointed) to the House of Representatives
concurring therein: The legislature of the state of Kansas hereby applies
to Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the
United States that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government,
limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government and limit the
terms of office for its officials and for members of Congress; and
Be it further resolved: This application constitutes a continuing
application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United
States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have
made application on the same subject; and
Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate shall send an
enrolled copy of this resolution to the President and the Secretary of the
United States Senate and the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States
House of Representatives, to the members of the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives from this state and to the presiding officers of each of the legislative chambers in the several states.