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H.C.R. No. 33

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1           WHEREAS, An independent United States Supreme Court is an  
2 essential element of America's system of checks and balances that  
3 protects our constitutional rights; and

4           WHEREAS, For more than 150 years, the U.S. Supreme Court has  
5 been composed of nine justices; and

6           WHEREAS, The president and congress should be prohibited from  
7 undermining the independence of the court by changing the number of  
8 appointed justices; now, therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, That the 89th Legislature of the State of Texas  
10 hereby respectfully urge the Congress of the United States to  
11 propose and submit to the states for ratification the "Keep Nine"  
12 amendment to the United States Constitution, stating that "The  
13 Supreme Court of the United States shall be composed of nine  
14 justices"; and, be it further

15           RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official  
16 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to  
17 the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of  
18 Representatives of the United States Congress, and to all the  
19 members of the Texas delegation to Congress with the request that  
20 this resolution be entered in the Congressional Record as a  
21 memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.