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Testimony in Support of H.J. 64, RESOLUTION PETITIONING CONGRESS TO CONVENE AN ARTICLE V CONVENTION TO OVERTURN THE UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT'S DECISION IN CITIZENS UNITED V. FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION.

Chairman Jutila, Chairman Cassano, Members of the Government Administration and Elections Committee, thank you for allowing me to submit testimony in support of H.J.64.

In recent years it has become obvious that the intrusion of large amounts of money into electoral campaigns has become intolerable to the operation of the legislative and governmental process at all levels. I have heard repeatedly that legislators and other elected officials need to spend more time in fundraising than in the people's business. In addition to the waste of time spent combating special interest financial opposition, there is certainly the appearance of corruption or pay-for-play representation.

Comprehensive campaign finance reform, ethical standards policies, and other clean government initiatives are needed to restore or establish a real public trust and confidence that now seems lacking. But a constitutional amendment overturning Citizens United would be a great first step. Please give this resolution your vote and your continuing support.

Sincerely,
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