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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide for the election of the President and Vice President by direct popular vote.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KLECZKA (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. McNULTY) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*
4 *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*
5 *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*
6 *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*

1 States within seven years after the date of its submission
2 for ratification:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “SECTION 1. The President and Vice President shall
5 be elected by the people of the several States and the Dis-
6 trict constituting the seat of Government of the United
7 States. An elector in such an election shall cast a single
8 vote for two persons who have consented to be considered
9 jointly, one as a candidate for President and the other as
10 a candidate for Vice President. A person may consent to
11 being considered jointly with only one other person in such
12 an election.

13 “SECTION 2. The persons considered jointly for
14 President and Vice President who receive the greatest
15 number of votes shall be elected President and Vice Presi-
16 dent.

17 “SECTION 3. The electors of the President and Vice-
18 President shall have the qualifications requisite for elec-
19 tors of Representatives in the Congress from the State in
20 which the electors reside, or, in the case of electors resid-
21 ing in the District constituting the seat of the Government
22 of the United States, the qualifications requisite for elec-
23 tors of the Delegate to the Congress from such District,
24 except that the Congress may establish uniform residence
25 and age qualifications for electors and the legislature of

1 one of the several States may prescribe lesser qualifica-
2 tions for electors with respect to residence.

3 “SECTION 4. The times, places, and manner of hold-
4 ing an election under this article, and entitlement to inclu-
5 sion on the ballot for such an election, shall be prescribed
6 in each of the several States and in the District constitut-
7 ing the seat of the Government of the United States by
8 the legislature thereof, but the Congress may by law make
9 or alter such regulations. The day or days on which such
10 election is to take place shall be determined by the Con-
11 gress, and the Congress shall prescribe by law the time,
12 place, and manner in which the results of such election
13 shall be ascertained and declared.

14 “SECTION 5. The Congress shall have the power to
15 implement and enforce this article by appropriate legisla-
16 tion.

17 “SECTION 6. This article shall apply to the first Pres-
18 idential election occurring after the date of ratification.”.

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