HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION C

February 5, 2003, Introduced by Reps. Minore, Dennis, Plakas, Zelenko, Gleason, Adamini and Woronchak and referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the state constitution of 1963, by amending section 54 of article IV and section 30 of article V, to modify term limits for certain elected state offices.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the state of Michigan, That the following amendment to the state constitution of 1963, to modify term limits for certain elected state offices, is proposed, agreed to, and submitted to the people of the state:

ARTICLE IV

Sec. 54. No person shall be elected to the office of state representative more than three six times. No person shall be elected to the office of state senate more than two three times. Any person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in the

6 house of representatives or the state senate for a period greater

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- 1 than one half of a term of such office, shall be considered to
- 2 have been elected to serve one time in that office for purposes
- 3 of this section. This limitation on the number of times a person
- 4 shall be elected to office shall apply to terms of office
- 5 beginning on or after January 1, 1993.
- 6 This section shall be self-executing. Legislation may be
- 7 enacted to facilitate operation of this section, but no law shall
- 8 limit or restrict the application of this section. If any part
- 9 of this section is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the
- 10 remaining parts of this section shall not be affected but will
- 11 remain in full force and effect.
- 12 ARTICLE V
- 13 Sec. 30. No person shall be elected more than -two- three
- 14 times to each office of the executive branch of government:
- 15 governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state, or attorney
- 16 general. Any person appointed or elected to fill a vacancy in
- 17 the office of governor, lieutenant governor, secretary of state,
- 18 or attorney general for a period greater than one half of a term
- 19 of such office, shall be considered to have been elected to serve
- 20 one time in that office for purposes of this section. This
- 21 limitation on the number of times a person shall be elected to
- 22 office shall apply to terms of office beginning on or after
- 23 January 1, 1993.
- 24 This section shall be self-executing. Legislation may be
- 25 enacted to facilitate operation of this section, but no law shall
- 26 limit or restrict the application of this section. If any part
- 27 of this section is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the

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- 1 remaining parts of this section shall not be affected but will
- 2 remain in full force and effect.
- 3 Resolved further, That the foregoing amendment shall be
- 4 submitted to the people of the state at the next general election
- 5 in the manner provided by law.

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