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1 TO THE HONORABLE GEORGE BUSH, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND
2 TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
3 REPRESENTATIVES, AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

5 We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of
6 the State of Washington, in legislative session assembled, respectfully
7 represent and petition as follows:

8 WHEREAS, The founders of this nation envisioned a "citizen
9 legislature"; and

10 WHEREAS, A citizen legislature may be best achieved by guaranteeing
11 a turnover in elective office; and

12 WHEREAS, The federal judiciary would be best served by having a
13 guaranteed turnover in office; and

14 WHEREAS, It is not necessary to establish or require any conditions
15 or qualifications for office other than those already in place beyond
16 a limitation of time any individual can serve in a specific house of
17 Congress or federal judicial level;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that Congress
2 propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States of
3 America requiring that no person shall be eligible to be elected to a
4 specific house of Congress, or remain in any one federal judicial
5 level, beyond a term of twelve years.

6 BE IT RESOLVED, That copies of this Memorial be immediately
7 transmitted to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United
8 States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the
9 House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of
10 Washington.