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Support Term Limits for Members of Congress, S.J. Res. 2 and H.J. Res. 6

On behalf of FreedomWorks' activist community, I urge you to contact your representative and senators and urge him or her to support an amendment to the United States Constitution to limit the number of terms Members of the House and Senate can serve. This is a bicameral effort led by Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas), sponsor of S.J. Res. 2, and Rep. Ron DeSantis (R-Fla.), sponsor of H.J. Res. 6.

The constitutional amendment proposed by Sen. Cruz and Rep. DeSantis would limit the number of terms a Member of the House can serve to three. Senators are limited to two terms. Members of the House or Senate who fill a vacancy and serve more than half a term, more than one year for a representative and more than three years for a senator, will have that counted as one term toward their total terms in office.

When the American people voted to "drain the swamp," it sent a message to all elected officials that the citizens want a change in Washington. This legislation will ensure that it remains drained. Having the same people in office year after year creates a cycle that is hard to break and that needs to be refreshed. Term limits would not only refresh the cycle, they would address a dysfunction in the structure of our federal government.

Thomas Jefferson said the omission of term limits in the Constitution was what he saw as the biggest problem with the founding document. Today, 74 percent of voters want Congress to enact term limits, which is more than ever before.

Because it's time to drain the swamp in Washington, we hope that you will contact your representative and senators and ask them to support the constitutional amendment to term limit Members of Congress.

Sincerely,

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