Testimony of Jeffrey S McGhee in support of HJR No. 1 House State and Local Committee

Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chairwoman John, Ranking Member Kelly, and members of the Committee.

I am an energy professional, father, husband, and proudly patriotic American from Findlay, Ohio (House District 83). I have worked in the industry for over 35 years most recently for Marathon Petroleum (retired) and now Cenovus Energy.

I write today to express my concerns about the overreach of our federal government. I've watched as our rulers pick winners and losers in the energy industry. I watched as they shackle American energy producers with ideological driven regulations needlessly driving up the cost of production. I've watched as they wasted precious taxpayer resources on boondoggles that empower and enrich well connected crony capitalist donors while doing nothing to produce cheap reliable energy.

Most recently I've noticed how our DOJ and other powerful federal law enforcement agencies have been turned on We The People. We now have two different systems of justice; one for the rich and powerfully connected and the other for regular folks. I've watched in frustration as violent Marxist organizations like BLM and Antifa have held "mostly peaceful protests" and are treated much differently than the "January 6th Insurrectionists". And now we see the FBI at the beckoning of the White House and DOJ being sicked on parents for expressing their opinions on how their children are educated.

We see how We The People are treated with contempt by our rulers while they plunder our nation driving us towards the financial cliff. Our children, grandchildren, and people yet to be born will bear the load of paying for this federal financial orgy that continues in Washington DC.

There is no escaping the overreach of Washington DC. Instead of a federal government restrained by our Constitution to specific enumerated powers, we have a ubiquitous leviathan that is destroying our way of life and interfering with self-governance. It is time to act.

We The People demand our state legislature hear us and move to pass this resolution calling for a Convention of States. It is time restrain this out-of-control federal government. We need to move immediately to join the call for amendments that will return the balance of power to the states and remove the iron fist of the Marxist driven DC politicians from our daily lives.

Ladies and Gentlemen. It is We The People who consent to be governed. We no long give our consent to this out of touch group of elites who attempt to keep their

boot on the necks of the American people. We need you to do what DC cannot do. We need you to act to fix this over bloated and unaccountable bureaucracy. Please support The Convention of States Project.

For Freedom

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