## Randy Lewis Proponent Testimony For HJR1

Chairman Wiggam, Vice Chairwoman John, Ranking Member Kelly, and members of the State and Local Government Committee,

I was invited to write a small testimonial on my story of how I came to be with the Convention of States.

I had always wanted to help in Politics at a grassroots level. I had seen the Convention of States from Article 5 of the Constitution and that seemed like the real deal to bring our Republic back. It seems as though it was written for these times.

We have a giant Government that wants to have a one size fit's all States, and the government keeps growing and growing. Are the same things needed in Kansas, as in New York? Rhode Island as Montana? Of course not. Article 5 is a clear and precise way for the States to regain control of their own business, and make the Federal government smaller at the same time. I was contacted by leaders within the Convention of States within a week of signing the petition. Very good because I wanted to be involved.

I do Twitter and it was there that I saw my first COS post. It was a "sign the petition post." I went back and studied up on Article 5. After that, I immediately signed the petition, and signed up for any volunteer position that was needed. It turns out that in my District, #89, we didn't even have a District Captain. So I went ahead and jumped in, but my State leaders have been awesome. Never have I been left sitting trying to figure out how to maneuver. I just pick up my phone, call Brenda, and she either gets me on track. or calls someone that can. We all have each other's backs.

My thoughts are this could be the last way to have dialogue before bullets start flying. God forbid. I love our Country. I love the way it was as I grew up. Born in the Eisenhower administration, 48 states, so I have seen a lot of changes so fast. Some of those changes are not good. I believe the Convention of States is our last chance before radicalism totally takes hold.

Please vote in favor of HJR1, and thank you for your service to me and our great state!

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