Testimony of Joseph Hunt in opposition to SJR4

Chairman Peterson, Vice Chairman Cirino, Ranking Member Craig, and members of the committee--Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding this call for a Constitutional Convention. I am a 9 year old from Delaware, Ohio, Senate District 19.

Vice Chairman Cirino, I understand that you asked an excellent question of Mr. Meckler after the proponent testimony for SJR4. Essentially, you asked if Mr. Meckler could foresee any problems with an Article V plan. Mr. Meckler responded that, no, he could not. Since there has been no Article V Convention since 1787, this simple response does not seem to allow for honest, intellectual debate.

You will hear from others today who have studied this issue and will hopefully provide a more balanced response to your concerns. If we cannot say with absolute certainty that a convention can be limited, it is a huge risk.

Thank you for your attention and I would be happy to try to answer any questions you may have.