

1 A RESOLUTION urging the United States Congress to propose an amendment to
2 the Constitution of the United States of America promoting equality of citizenship by
3 establishing that artificial entities, such as corporations, associations, or other similar
4 groups, are not persons and can be regulated, and that money is not speech and can be
5 regulated.

6 WHEREAS, the rights protected by the Constitution of the United States of
7 America are the rights of natural persons only; and

8 WHEREAS, artificial entities established by the laws of any state, the United States
9 of America, or any foreign state shall have no rights under the Constitution of the United
10 States of America and are subject to regulation by the people through federal, state, and
11 local law; and

12 WHEREAS, the privileges of artificial entities should be determined by the people
13 through federal, state, and local law, and should not be construed to be inherent or
14 inalienable; and

15 WHEREAS, federal, state, and local governments should regulate, limit, or prohibit
16 contributions and expenditures, including a candidate's own contributions and
17 expenditures, to ensure that all citizens, regardless of their economic status, have access
18 to the political process, and that no person gains, as a result of his or her money,
19 substantially more access or ability to influence in any way the election of any candidate
20 for public office or any ballot measure; and

21 WHEREAS, federal, state, and local governments should require that any
22 permissible contributions and expenditures be publicly disclosed; and

23 WHEREAS, the judiciary should not construe the spending of money to influence
24 elections to be speech under the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States
25 of America; and

26 WHEREAS, in order to reform our political system and our electoral process, and
27 to restore power over that process to the individual citizens of this great nation, an

1 amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America is urgently required;

2 NOW, THEREFORE,

3 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the*
4 *Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

5 ➔Section 1. The House of Representatives of Kentucky calls upon the Congress
6 of the United States of America to propose and send to the states for ratification an
7 amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America authorizing legislation to
8 establish fair and comprehensive election reform, including limits on contributions and
9 expenditures to influence elections and a prohibition of such contributions or
10 expenditures by corporations, associations, or other individuals or groups that are not
11 citizens of the United States of America.

12 ➔Section 2. A copy of this Resolution shall be sent to the President and Vice
13 President of the United States of America, the Speaker of the United States House of
14 Representatives, the Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, the
15 Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Minority Leader of the United States
16 Senate, and each member of the Kentucky delegation to the Congress of the United States
17 of America.