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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to limit the number of terms that a Member of Congress may serve.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROONEY of Florida (for himself, Mr. GAETZ, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. PALMER, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. MOONEY of West Virginia, Mr. DAVIDSON of Ohio, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. RATCLIFFE, Mr. NORMAN, Mrs. LESKO, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. BUCK, and Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma) submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*  
2       *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*  
3       *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-  
4       lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-  
5       stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all  
6       intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when  
7       ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several

1 States within seven years after the date of its submission  
2 for ratification:

3 “ARTICLE —

4 “SECTION 1. No person who has served 3 terms as  
5 a Representative shall be eligible for election to the House  
6 of Representatives. For purposes of this section, the elec-  
7 tion of a person to fill a vacancy in the House of Rep-  
8 resentatives shall be included as 1 term in determining  
9 the number of terms that such person has served as a Rep-  
10 resentative if the person fills the vacancy for more than  
11 1 year.

12 “SECTION 2. No person who has served 2 terms as  
13 a Senator shall be eligible for election or appointment to  
14 the Senate. For purposes of this section, the election or  
15 appointment of a person to fill a vacancy in the Senate  
16 shall be included as 1 term in determining the number  
17 of terms that such person has served as a Senator if the  
18 person fills the vacancy for more than 3 years.

19 “SECTION 3. No term beginning before the date of  
20 the ratification of this article shall be taken into account  
21 in determining eligibility for election or appointment under  
22 this article.”.

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