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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to protect the voting rights of the citizens of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ENGEL submitted the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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
8 States:

1 “SECTION 5. No citizen who has reached eighteen
2 years of age shall be barred from participating in elections
3 for President and Vice President, or for Senator or Rep-
4 resentative in Congress, on account of failure to register
5 to vote.

6 “SECTION 6. Elections for President and Vice Presi-
7 dent, and for Senator and Representative in Congress,
8 shall be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday
9 in November. This day shall be designated a national holi-
10 day. No entity shall interfere with, withhold regular com-
11 pensation from, or otherwise penalize the exercise of the
12 right of any of its agents, employees, contractors, or as-
13 signs so entitled to vote on this day.

14 “SECTION 7. Congress shall have the power to en-
15 force this article by appropriate legislation.

16 “SECTION 8. This article shall take effect two years
17 after the date of its ratification.”.

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