

111TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. J. RES. 36

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to abolish the Electoral College and provide for the direct election of the President and Vice President by the popular vote of all citizens of the United States regardless of place of residence.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 3, 2009

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois introduced 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. The President and Vice President shall  
5 be elected jointly by the direct vote of the citizens of the  
6 United States, without regard to whether the citizens are  
7 residents of a State.

8 “SECTION 2. The persons having the greatest number  
9 of votes for President and Vice President shall be elected,  
10 so long as such persons have a majority of the votes cast.”.

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