

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
3 **Regular Session, 1993**  
4 **By: Representative Mahony**

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6 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

7 TO PROVIDE FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
8 SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON  
9 APRIL 18, 1994; TO PROVIDE FOR RECESS OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH  
10 GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON APRIL 8,  
11 1993; TO AUTHORIZE THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF  
12 REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE  
13 SENATE BY JOINT PROCLAMATION TO RECONVENE THE GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY 1993 FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
15 CONSIDERING VETOES AND CORRECTING ERRORS OR OVERSIGHTS IN  
16 APPROPRIATIONS; TO AUTHORIZE THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE AND  
17 THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE OF THE SENATE TO RECONVENE THE  
18 GENERAL ASSEMBLY NO LATER THAN APRIL 18, 1994, FOR THE  
19 PURPOSE OF PROPOSING CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, ENACTING  
20 LAWS OR ADOPTING RULES RELATING TO TERM LIMITS.

21 **Subtitle**

22 FOR A RECESS OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

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24 WHEREAS, Section 17 of Article V of the Constitution of the State of  
25 Arkansas provides that the regular biennial session of the General Assembly  
26 shall not exceed sixty days in duration, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the  
27 members elected to each house of the General Assembly; and

28 WHEREAS, the regular session of the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly was  
29 extended to Friday, April 2, but it now appears that it will be impossible to  
30 complete the essential business of this session within that time and that a  
31 further extension of this regular session will be necessary to enable the  
32 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly to complete its business; and

33 WHEREAS, legal action is pending in which the constitutionality and  
34 interpretation of Amendment #73 to the Arkansas Constitution relating to term  
35 limits is questioned and it appears that a court ruling in that case may make

1 it necessary or desirable that the General Assembly complete action to submit  
2 a proposed constitutional amendment to the people to effectuate or clarify  
3 term limits for public officials or take other appropriate action, including  
4 enactment of laws or adoption of rules relating to term limits; and

5 WHEREAS, it is impossible at this time for the General Assembly to  
6 predict the outcome of the pending litigation and to take appropriate action  
7 to respond to such decision to assure a smooth, effective and efficient  
8 transition in state government which may result from the court decision; and

9 WHEREAS, it would appear that it is essential that the General Assembly  
10 reconvene to take appropriate action in response to such decision,

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12 NOW THEREFORE,

13 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH GENERAL  
14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

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16 SECTION 1. The regular session of the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly of  
17 the State of Arkansas is hereby extended through the close of business in each  
18 house on April 18, 1994.

19 The regular session of the Seventy-Ninth General Assembly of the State  
20 of Arkansas shall enter into recess at the close of business on April 8, 1993.

21 The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro  
22 Tempore of the Senate may, by joint proclamation, reconvene the General  
23 Assembly during the month of May 1993 for the purpose of considering executive  
24 vetoes and correcting errors and oversights in appropriations. When such  
25 matters have been disposed of, the General Assembly shall continue in recess.

26 The Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President Pro  
27 Tempore of the Senate may, by joint proclamation, reconvene the General  
28 Assembly after May 1993 but before April 18, 1994 for the purpose of  
29 completing action on a proposed constitutional amendment relating to term  
30 limits and on laws and rules of the House and Senate necessary or desirable to  
31 appropriately and effectively accommodate and deal with matters concerning  
32 term limits.

33 Provided, if the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tempore of  
34 the Senate do not convene the General Assembly before April 18, 1994, the  
35 Seventy-Ninth General Assembly shall be adjourned sine die on that date by

1 proclamation of the Speaker of the House and the President Pro Tem of the  
2 Senate.