

Great Pumpkin Congress Docket
October 26th, 2024
Round 1, Item 1

A Resolution to Pardon Non-Violent Drug Offenders

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Prisons are overcrowded with nonviolent drug offenders; and
- 2 **WHEREAS**, Many nonviolent offenders are subject to mandatory minimums; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, A criminal record makes finding a job much harder; and
- 4 **WHEREAS**, Minority communities have been targeted by draconian drug laws; now,
- 5 therefore, be it
- 6 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the President should pardon all
- 7 federal nonviolent drug offenders; and, be it
- 8 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That all governors should pardon all their respective state's
- 9 nonviolent drug offenders.

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Round 1, Item 2

A Resolution to Halt Military Aid to Egypt

- 1 **WHEREAS**, The United States relationship with Egypt was created mainly to bring
- 2 Egypt on the United States' side during the Cold War; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, The United States receives miniscule amounts of diplomatic support
- 4 from Egypt in the status quo; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, Under President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi, Egypt's economy is at a halt, and
- 6 there is very little hope that economic sustainability can be maintained in Egypt; and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, Many atrocious human rights violations occur within Egypt; now,
- 8 therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the United States cut its military
- 10 aid to the country of Egypt.

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Round 1, Item 3

A Resolution to Promote Vaccines

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Many states currently allow vaccination exemptions based on personal
- 2 philosophical beliefs; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, Recent outbreaks of preventable diseases, such as measles, hurt the
- 4 lives of American children and families; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, Scientific research directly contradicts anti-vaccination bias; and
- 6 **WHEREAS**, The federal government needs to intervene in local state-level affairs
- 7 and ensure that all children have a right to appropriate health care and a society free
- 8 of preventable illness; and now, therefore, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that the United States Federal
- 10 government ban state-level vaccination exemptions.

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Round 2, Item 1

A Bill to Implement Ranked Choice Voting

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Voters will rank their top three choices of candidates in order of
2 preference for all federal elections.
- 3 **SECTION 2.** Definitions:
- 4 A. Ranked Choice voting (RCV) is a preferential system of voting.
- 5 B. If a candidate wins a majority of first-preference votes, he or she will be declared
6 the winner of the election.
- 7 C. If no candidate wins a majority of first-preference votes, the candidate with the
8 fewest first-preference votes will be eliminated, lifting the second-preference choices
9 indicated on those ballots.
- 10 D. A new tally will be conducted to determine if any candidate has won a majority of
11 the adjusted votes.
- 12 E. The process will be repeated until a candidate has an outright majority.
- 13 **SECTION 3.** The Federal Election Committee will oversee implementation.
- 14 **SECTION 4.** This bill will be implemented before the 2028 presidential election. Any
15 districts that do not use ranked choice voting in federal elections must re-vote.
- 16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

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A Resolution to Expand the UN Security Council

- 1 **WHEREAS**, The United Nations Security Council is comprised of 15 member nations
- 2 with 5 of these nations being permanent members; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, These 5 permanent member nations hold the power of “veto”, thus
- 4 effectively being able to block any action; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, The 5 permanent member nations are the United States, Great Britain,
- 6 France, Russia, and China; and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, The Southern Hemisphere is not represented; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, Entire continents are not represented; therefore, now, be it
- 9 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled to urge the United Nations to expand
- 10 permanent membership status on the Security Council to India, Nigeria, South
- 11 Africa, and Brazil with the same “veto” power that current member nations possess.

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A Resolution to Restrict Lobbying

1 **WHEREAS**, Partaking in lobbying after leaving office inspires corruption and

2 increases special interest groups' hold on the legislative assembly; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Many members of Congress who do not seek reelection become

4 lobbyists; and

5 **WHEREAS**, The political system is already corrupted by large campaign contributions

6 and the great amount of influence K Street has over politicians; and

7 **WHEREAS**, Allowing former office holders to make a fortune off of their access to

8 current members of Congress further destabilizes American democracy; now,

9 therefore, be it

10 **RESOLVED**, By the Congress here assembled that all those who serve in Congress

11 from this date forward be prohibited from taking part in any lobbying activity after

12 their retirement from the House or Senate.

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Round 3, Item 1

A Bill to Tax Labor Automation

1 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**

2 **SECTION 1.** All companies utilizing automation to reduce or offset labor
3 costs shall be taxed in order to fund a universal basic income. The rate of taxation
4 shall be one third of the gross salary for the jobs lost to automation and will be paid by
5 the company in question for up to five years. These funds will be used for job training
6 as well as a universal basic income for displaced employees.

7 **SECTION 2.** Labor automation is defined herein as the process of utilizing technology
8 in place of human labor to carry out various tasks and professions.

9 A universal basic income is defined herein as a guaranteed income for certain citizens
10 of the United States valued at \$1000 per month. This universal basic income would
11 be distributed to those whose jobs are lost to automation.

12 **SECTION 3.** Government agencies that will enforce this legislation include: the
13 United States Department of Commerce, the United States Department of Labor
14 and the United States Department of the Treasury

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect immediately upon passage.

16 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

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National Red Flag Authorization

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 SECTION 1. Any individual that exhibits potentially violent behavior towards another
3 or themselves can have access to any firearm removed for a period of time to be
4 determined by a judge.

5 SECTION 2. Violent behavior can include, but is not limited to: verbal threats,
6 threatening posts on social media, stalking, attempts at self-harm, and arrestable
7 offenses using weapons.

8 SECTION 3. The individual will be barred from purchasing any firearms and must turn
9 over any firearms in their possession. Final orders will be determined by the court
10 through a hearing to include all parties. If the final order extends the firearm ban,
11 it will last for no more than one (1) year.

12 SECTION 4. This legislation will take effect six months after passage.

13 SECTION 5. All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

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A Bill to Eliminate Military Aid to Saudi Arabia

1 **SECTION 1.** The United States Federal Government will no longer sell or provide
2 weaponry to Saudi Arabia.

3 **SECTION 2.** Sell is defined as to give up property to another for something of value,
4 such as money.

5 **SECTION 3.** The U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Political-Military Affairs (PM)
6 will oversee the implementation of the cease in sales. All instances of weapon sales
7 to Saudi Arabia, both directly and indirectly, shall be investigated by non-partisan
8 organizations and all complicit actors in the sale of weapons to Saudi Arabia will be
9 given life sentences with opportunity for appeal and bail.

10 **SECTION 4.** This cease of sale of weapons to Saudi Arabia will be implemented
11 January 2025.

12 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby null and void.

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