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A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 10, SECTION 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION
OF NEW MEXICO TO ALLOW COUNTY OFFICIALS TO SERVE THREE
CONSECUTIVE TERMS INSTEAD OF TWO.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 10, Section
2 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

"A. In every county all elected officials shall
serve four-year terms, subject to the provisions of
Subsection B of this section.

B. In those counties that prior to 1992 have not
had four-year terms for elected officials, the assessor,
sheriff and probate judge shall be elected to four-year terms
and the treasurer and clerk shall be elected to two-year
terms in the first election following the adoption of this
amendment. In subsequent elections, the treasurer and clerk
shall be elected to four-year terms.

C. To provide for staggered county commission
terms, in counties with three county commissioners, the terms
of no more than two commissioners shall expire in the same
year; and in counties with five county commissioners, the
terms of no more than three commissioners shall expire in the
same year.

D. All county officers, after having served three

1 consecutive four-year terms, shall be ineligible to hold any
2 county office for two years thereafter."

3 Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution
4 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or
5 rejection at the next general election or at any special
6 election prior to that date that may be called for that
7 purpose.

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