

House Concurrent Resolution No. 13

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **Whereas**, Article II, Section 2 of the United States Constitution states the President
2 "shall nominate, and by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate, shall appoint
3 Ambassadors, other public Ministers and Consuls, Judges of the Supreme Court, and all other
4 Officers of the United States"; and

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6 **Whereas**, there is a high likelihood of at least one vacancy on the United States
7 Supreme Court during the 109th Congress; and

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9 **Whereas**, there is a possibility of the need to elevate a sitting justice on the United
10 States Supreme Court to the position of Chief Justice during the 109th Congress; and

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12 **Whereas**, activist judges on some federal courts have frustrated the constitutional
13 structure which prescribes that laws shall be written by elected legislatures; and

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15 **Whereas**, President George W. Bush has expressed his commitment to appoint
16 federal judges who will strictly interpret the United States Constitution; and

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18 **Whereas**, in the past, a minority of Senators has used dilatory tactics to prevent a
19 Senate floor vote on several President George W. Bush's judicial nominees, all of whom were
20 reported favorably by the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary:

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22 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
23 Representatives of the Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
24 concurring therein, hereby request our United States Senators to move quickly to confirm all
25 nominations by President George W. Bush to the United States Supreme Court; and

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27 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
28 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for United
29 States Senators Christopher Bond and Jim Talent.