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Hon. Emanuel Celler,
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives,
Washington, D. C. 20515

18 yr-old vote

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Our poor, neglected and battered Constitution has just been dealt another body blow, by a faithless Congress and a faithless Supreme Court.

Section 1 of Article II provides:

The President "shall be elected as follows:
Each State shall appoint, in such manner as
the legislature may direct, a number of
electors", etc.

Section 1 of Article I:

"The House of Representatives shall be composed
of members chosen every second year by the
people of the several States, and the elec-
tors in each State shall have the qualifica-
tions requisite for electors of the most num-
erous branch of the State legislature."

Amendment XVII: "The Senate of the United States shall
be composed of two Senators from each State,
elected by the people thereof. . . . The elec-
tors in each State shall have the qualifications
requisite for electors of the most numerous branch
of the State legislature."

Congress is given authority to change the times, places and
manner of holding elections for Senators and Representatives.
This cannot apply in any respect other than to method, which does
not have anything to do with qualifications for voting.

It could not be stated in plainer language that the qualifica-
tions for voting are to be as established by each State for itself.
The Congress and the Supreme Court have chosen to ignore the explicit
terms, emphasized by the word "shall", and the court has again un-
warrantedly departed from its judicial function to act in a legis-
lative capacity. The plain words of the Constitution have been
violated so wantonly and flagrantly by those sworn to observe them
that the five Justices responsible for the decision should be im-
peached forthwith and Congress should repeal the 18 years voting act.

Respectfully,

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