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City Council Meeting, September 11, 2010

1. You've been in Office less than a year and you have performed one thing that the people didn't elect you to do: to raise taxes. I don't believe you were elected to spend money, but to spend our taxes for something meaningful for all tax payers.
2. I hope that your service to these tax payers will result in a decrease in taxes, not a 10.8% increase as proposed. If this goes through I will personally start a petition drive for a roll back election. If I may suggest something that will decrease taxes, here are some examples/
  - A. Look at duplication of services, State, County and Cities. Example: Police, fire, and health. Fire Departments and Police Departments do not protect any body or any thing. They just react. Why does city taxes have to pay the County for the Sheriff and Constables. We need to persuade the County Commissioners to get the removal of Constable Positions on the November Ballot. We should require the County to bill the Cities for what services they provide the Cities. If they charge to much the cities may take over completely. We need to get our State Legislatures to look into this matter and pass legislation that would solve this problem. That should also include over lapping State Services as well.
  - B. Take a good look at the property taxes which I gave you. The Travis County property taxes are not too different from Austin's taxes. The City population comprises approximately 80% of the total County population. Does that raise any questions?
  - C. There are many things that need attention on our roadway system. (a) Most of the traffic signals are not properly timed for the traffic load. (b) Many of our streets are not marked for traffic lanes and those that are, need to be re-striped. (c) There should not be any Four-way or three-way stop signs. With a little effort traffic counts could be done to determine the most traffic load and the other gets the stop sign, Example: Teri and Knuckles Crossing during heavy traffic periods. This may need a traffic signal that would operate during these periods. Isn't it strange that it took the Highway Dept 15 years to find that they could have two lanes of traffic exiting Hwy 290 West in Oak Hill, instead of one lane?

Late Backup

Travis County Tax Data

| Year | Tax Rate | Appraised Residential Values | Property Taxes          | Property Taxes in millions | % increase / decrease | Appraised Commercial Values | Property Taxes | % increase / decrease | Appraised Industrial Values | Property Taxes | % increase / decrease |
|------|----------|------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 2000 | 0.467    | 27,448,124,229               | 130,356,798.42          | 130                        |                       | 11,664,095,684              | 55,424,461.00  |                       | 1,101,117,691               | 5,186,864.83   |                       |
| 2001 | 0.446    | 32,433,641,073               | 147,362,451.47          | 147                        | 13.0%                 | 13,032,479,327              | 59,674,470.68  | 7.7%                  | 1,193,665,795               | 4,333,096.20   | 16.5%                 |
| 2002 | 0.466    | 36,404,772,022               | 173,666,361.32          | 173                        | 33.2%                 | 13,256,450,986              | 63,731,568.81  | 15.0%                 | 1,123,295,625               | 5,197,305.95   | 0.2%                  |
| 2003 | 0.4918   | 36,591,802,256               | 183,462,026.99          | 183                        | 40.7%                 | 12,231,218,054              | 61,191,416.76  | 10.4%                 | 975,941,500                 | 4,779,006.66   | 7.9%                  |
| 2004 | 0.4872   | 38,332,240,698               | 191,238,276.92          | 191                        | 46.7%                 | 11,497,602,002              | 56,366,459.32  | 1.7%                  | 916,176,364                 | 4,425,180.56   | 14.7%                 |
| 2005 | 0.4993   | 40,984,102,740               | 209,121,059.66          | 209                        | 60.4%                 | 12,721,748,589              | 64,197,723.32  | 15.8%                 | 821,831,147                 | 4,118,983.35   | 20.6%                 |
| 2006 | 0.4499   | 46,900,445,683               | 215,484,738.62          | 215                        | 65.3%                 | 16,172,194,244              | 73,437,079.92  | 32.5%                 | 816,100,646                 | 3,675,703.68   | 29.1%                 |
| 2007 | 0.4216   | 53,187,207,802               | 229,005,070.35          | 229                        | 75.7%                 | 18,922,727,344              | 80,471,275.52  | 45.2%                 | 842,277,045                 | 3,692,182.09   | 28.8%                 |
|      |          |                              | <b>1,479,696,783.75</b> |                            |                       | <b>514,494,455.33</b>       |                |                       | <b>35,408,323.32</b>        |                |                       |

190,968,124.25  
 211,370,018.35  
 242,595,236.08  
 249,432,450.41  
 252,029,916.80  
 277,437,766.33  
 292,597,522.22  
 313,168,527.96

Austin Tax Data

| Year | Tax Rate | Appraised Residential Values | Property Taxes          | Property Taxes in millions | % increase / decrease | Appraised Commercial Values | Property Taxes | % increase / decrease | Appraised Industrial Values | Property Taxes | % increase / decrease |
|------|----------|------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 2000 |          | 21,925,964,707               | 103,960,450.64          | 103                        |                       | 10,119,371,217              | 48,103,078.25  |                       | 1,040,532,071               | 4,897,217.46   |                       |
| 2001 | 0.4597   | 25,688,447,941               | 120,142,468.76          | 120                        | 15.6%                 | 11,234,971,319              | 53,090,015.05  | 10.4%                 | 1,130,142,771               | 4,180,734.92   | 14.6%                 |
| 2002 | 0.4597   | 28,699,317,079               | 135,194,356.85          | 135                        | 30.0%                 | 11,357,586,434              | 54,093,861.64  | 12.5%                 | 1,064,933,278               | 4,864,626.92   | 0.7%                  |
| 2003 | 0.4928   | 28,763,905,505               | 144,809,616.11          | 144                        | 39.3%                 | 10,428,450,347              | 52,298,686.53  | 8.7%                  | 930,348,892                 | 4,568,667.82   | 6.7%                  |
| 2004 | 0.4430   | 30,187,583,307               | 137,317,261.63          | 137                        | 32.1%                 | 9,776,081,312               | 43,604,391.06  | 9.4%                  | 878,535,855                 | 3,856,969.68   | 21.2%                 |
| 2005 | 0.4430   | 31,946,179,104               | 144,936,343.83          | 144                        | 39.4%                 | 10,832,401,879              | 48,591,770.95  | 1.0%                  | 783,826,480                 | 3,486,174.90   | 28.8%                 |
| 2006 | 0.4126   | 36,138,253,682               | 152,462,504.90          | 152                        | 46.7%                 | 13,724,986,198              | 57,145,416.91  | 18.8%                 | 777,529,783                 | 3,211,817.65   | 34.4%                 |
| 2007 | 0.4034   | 40,670,701,441               | 167,564,334.71          | 167                        | 61.2%                 | 15,971,417,115              | 64,996,798.60  | 35.1%                 | 802,530,956                 | 3,692,182.09   | 24.6%                 |
|      |          |                              | <b>1,106,387,337.43</b> |                            |                       | <b>421,924,018.99</b>       |                |                       | <b>32,758,391.44</b>        |                |                       |

156,960,746.35  
 177,413,218.73  
 194,152,845.41  
 201,676,970.46  
 184,778,622.37  
 197,014,289.68  
 212,819,739.46  
 236,253,315.40

total Taxes

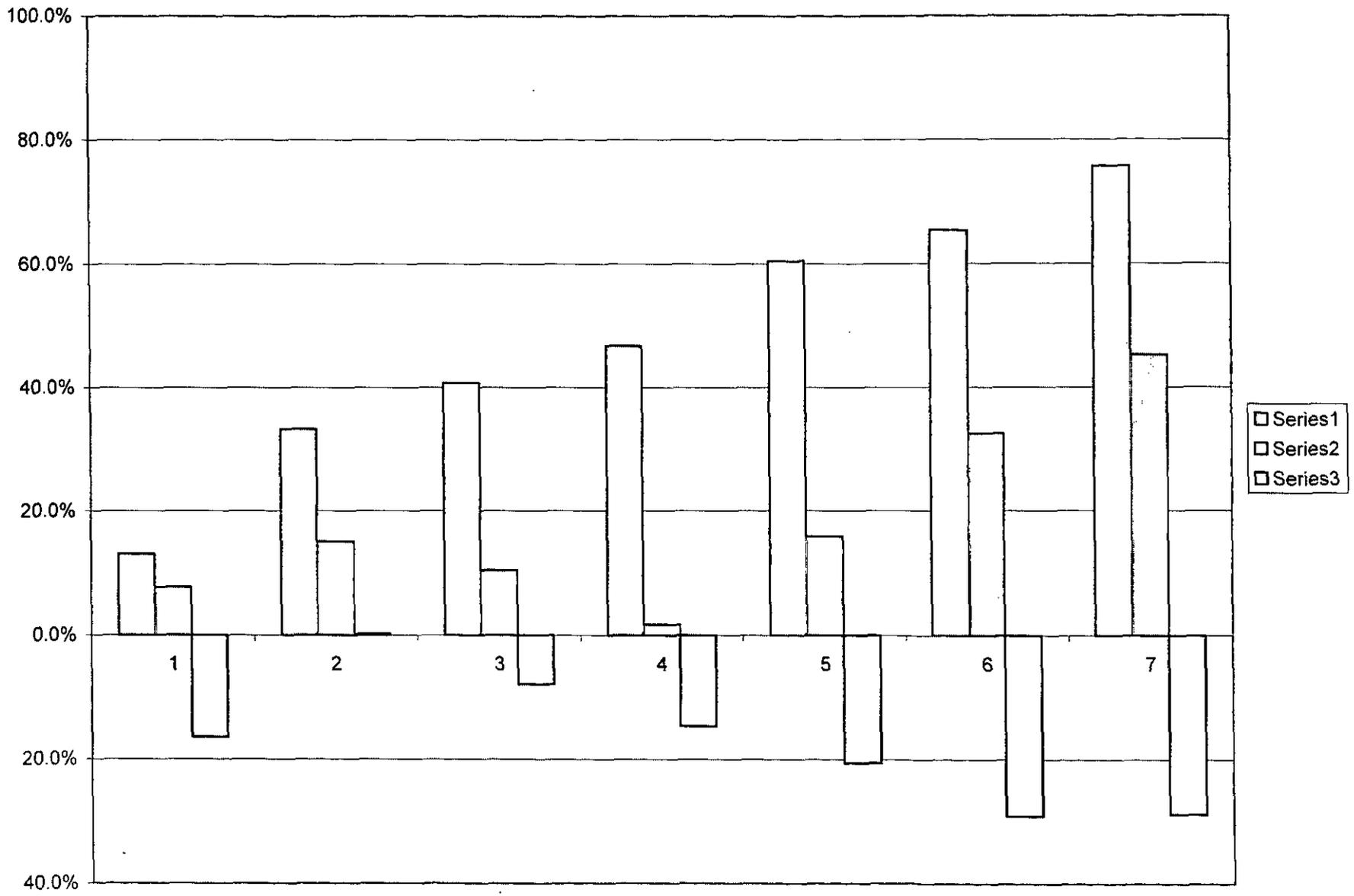
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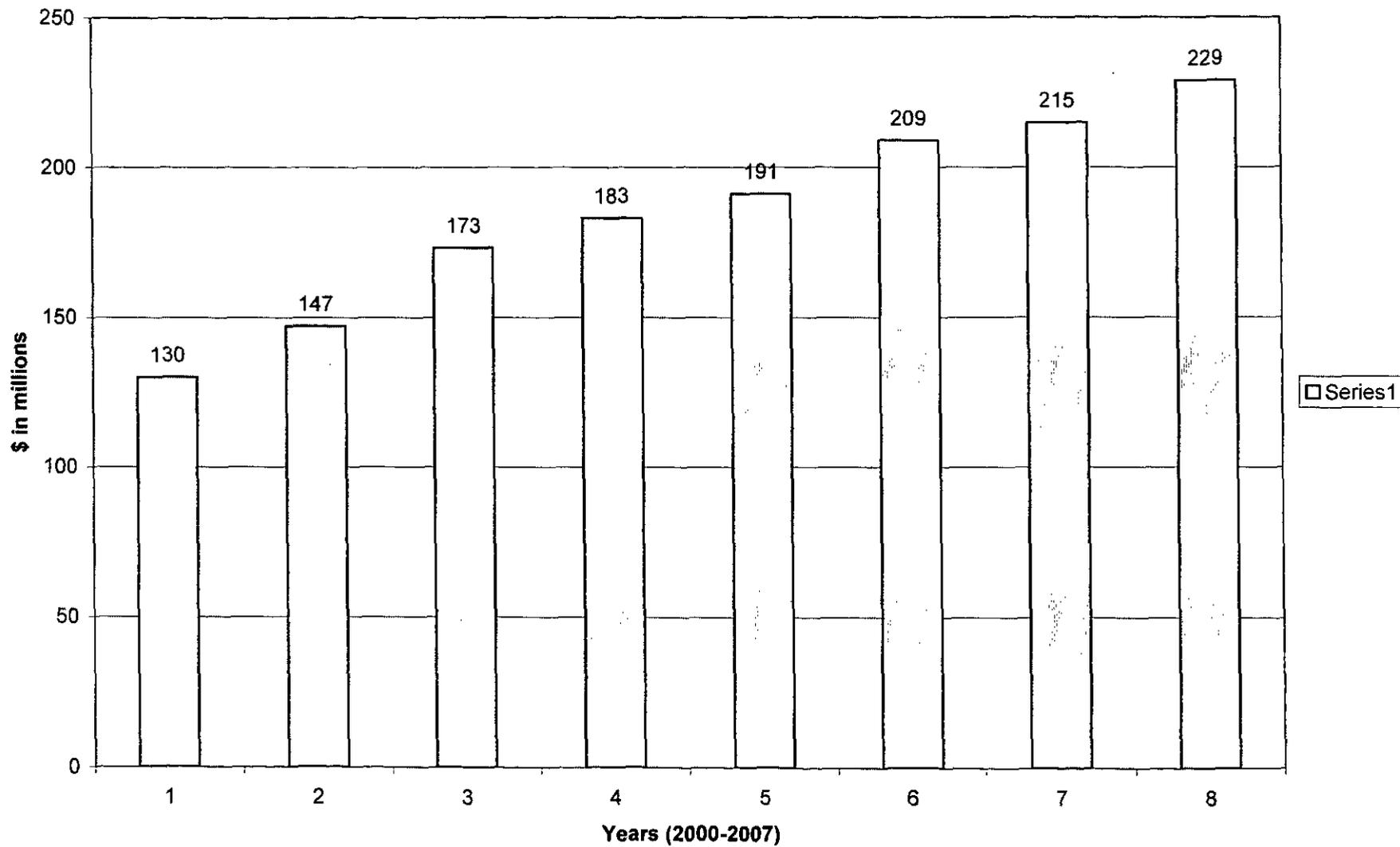
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| Year |
|------|
| 2000 |
| 2001 |
| 2002 |
| 2003 |
| 2004 |
| 2005 |
| 2006 |
| 2007 |

Sales Tax Count Sales Tax City



### Trais Co. Residential Property Taxes



|    | A                             | B | C           | D           | E           |
|----|-------------------------------|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1  |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 2  | <b>Population information</b> |   |             |             |             |
| 3  |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 4  | Year                          |   | <b>1990</b> | <b>2000</b> | <b>2009</b> |
| 5  |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 6  | Travis Cty                    |   | 576,407     | 812,280     | 1,026,158   |
| 7  |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 8  | City of Austin                |   | 465,622     | 656,562     | 786,382     |
| 9  |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 10 | Metro Area                    |   |             |             | 1,705,075   |
| 11 |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 12 | Austin % of Cty Population    |   | 80.7        | 80.7        | 76.6        |
| 13 |                               |   |             |             |             |
| 14 |                               |   |             |             |             |

## Percentage of Population County/ City Ratio

|    | A                                     | B           | C           | D           | E                           | F                          | G                          | H                       |
|----|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1  | <b>Taxing Entity</b>                  | <b>1990</b> | <b>2000</b> | <b>2004</b> | <b>% Growth In 14 years</b> | <b>2004 Property Value</b> | <b>2004 Property Taxes</b> | <b>2004 Sales Taxes</b> |
| 2  | Bexar County                          | 1,185,394   | 1,392,931   | 1,493,965   | 26%                         | \$52,734,890,581           | \$141,392,215              |                         |
| 3  | San Antonio                           | 935,933     | 1,144,646   | 1,236,249   | 32%                         | \$46,709,000,000           | \$166,500,000              | \$317,000,000           |
| 4  | City % of Population                  | 79%         | 82%         | 83%         |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 5  |                                       |             |             |             |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 6  | Comal County                          | 51,832      | 78,021      | 91,806      | 77%                         | \$5,769,034,374            | \$35,630,882               | \$5,066,000             |
| 7  | New Braunfels, Bulverde, Garden Ridge | 27,336      | 42,133      | 51,518      | 88%                         | \$3,352,800,000            | \$12,457,000               | \$9,800,000             |
| 8  | City % of Population                  | 53%         | 54%         | 56%         |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 9  |                                       |             |             |             |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 10 | Travis County                         | 576,407     | 812,280     | 869,868     | 51%                         |                            | \$231,024,223              |                         |
| 11 | Austin                                | 465,562     | 656,562     | 681,804     | 46%                         |                            |                            |                         |
| 12 | City % of Population                  | 81%         | 81%         | 78%         |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 13 |                                       |             |             |             |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 14 | Hays County                           | 65,614      | 97,589      | 119,359     | 82%                         |                            |                            |                         |
| 15 | San Marcos, Buda, Kyle, Drip Spgs     | 33,796      | 43,999      | 64,069      | 90%                         |                            |                            |                         |
| 16 | City % of Population                  | 52%         | 45%         | 54%         |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 17 |                                       |             |             |             |                             |                            |                            |                         |
| 18 | Total Population of four counties     | 1,879,247   | 2,380,821   | 2,574,998   | 37%                         |                            |                            |                         |

Percentage of Population County City Ratio

| <b>Taxing Entity</b>                         | <b>1990</b> | <b>2000</b> | <b>2004</b> | <b>% Growth</b> |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| <b>Bexar County</b>                          | 1,185,394   | 1,392,931   | 1,493,965   | 26%             |
| <b>San Antonio</b>                           | 935,933     | 1,144,646   | 1,236,249   | 32%             |
| <b>City % of Population</b>                  | 79%         | 82%         | 83%         |                 |
| <b>Comal County</b>                          | 51,832      | 78,021      | 91,806      | 77%             |
| <b>New Braunfels, Bulverde, Garden Ridge</b> | 27,336      | 42,133      | 51,518      | 88%             |
| <b>City % of Population</b>                  | 53%         | 54%         | 56%         |                 |
| <b>Travis County</b>                         | 576,407     | 812,280     | 869,868     | 51%             |
| <b>Austin</b>                                | 465,562     | 656,562     | 681,804     | 46%             |
| <b>City % of Population</b>                  | 81%         | 81%         | 78%         |                 |
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To Voting Citizens of this State.

#1. We should get Article V of the Constitution to work for a complete change in what the Congress has been doing for the Congress. (i.e. make the Congress open a Constitutional Convention and propose the following Amendments)

- A. The Congress shall balance the Federal Budget each year except in times of a formal Declaration of War and then only for military needs.
- B. The Federal Debt shall be reduced using 10% of the Federal Income.
- C. The Congress will be paid by the individual States as established by the Governor and approved by the State Legislature. They will office in their home State and communicate with other members of Congress, by commercial means (i.e. telephone, computers, etc.) They will only meet in the Federal Capital once a year, for one (1) month to ratify the Federal budget. They will travel by normal transportation modes (i.e. Trains, Autos, Commercial Airlines and/or other Commercial modes of travel.. No private transportation, except their own, will be used. They will have the same benefits as other Government Staff members/ employees. They are not Kings or Queens!
- D. Give the President **Line Item Veto power**, with over ride by two thirds of both houses

# 2. They will reduce the Federal Agencies that unnecessarily regulate private Industry and individual States (i.e. Education Agency, Environmental Protection Agency and many others, over a period of ten (10) years, starting one year after ratification by three fourths of the States.

# 3. The Federal Government will not be engaged in battles without a formal Declaration of War by the U.S. Congress.(Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.) There are no "Prisoners of War" nor "Treason" without a Declaration of War.

# 4. The Congress shall declare English as the official language of the USA.

# 5 The Members of Congress may be elected to serve only two five year terms (One Decade)

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