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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide that no person born in the United States will be a United States citizen unless a parent is a United States citizen, is lawfully in the United States, or has a lawful immigration status at the time of the birth.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FOLEY (for himself, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. DOOLITTLE, YOUNG of Alaska, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. McKEON, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. KLUG, Mr. BAKER of Louisiana, and Mr. METCALF) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-*

1 *thirds of each House concurring therein*), That the follow-
 2 ing article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitu-
 3 tion of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents
 4 and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by
 5 the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States with-
 6 in seven years after the date of its submission for ratifica-
 7 tion:

8 “ARTICLE —

9 “SECTION 1. No person born in the United States
 10 after the date of the ratification of this article shall be
 11 a citizen of the United States, or of any State, on account
 12 of birth in the United States unless the mother or father
 13 of the person is a citizen of the United States, is lawfully
 14 in the United States, or has a lawful status under the im-
 15 migration laws of the United States, at the time of the
 16 birth.

17 “SECTION 2. The Congress shall have power to en-
 18 force this article by appropriate legislation.”.

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