Amendment XXVIII

Section 1 Every second year Congress shall establish a single limit on the amount of wealth that any citizen may contribute or use to aid in the election of candidates seeking to represent the citizen in any government office. That limit shall not exceed one percent of the average annual income of all citizens of the United States.

Section 2 The limit established by Section 1 shall apply in the following manner.

2.1 The limit shall apply to each candidate for each voting event.

2.2 The limit shall cumulatively apply to all contributions directly to a candidate’s campaign organization and use of any resources to supplement or offset the cost of a candidate’s campaign.

2.3 The limit shall apply to all the costs of producing and distributing messages about candidates that are designed for audiences to witness unintentionally or without seeking the message. The costs of no other messages about candidates shall be limited by this amendment.

2.4 The limit shall not apply to voluntary and uncompensated individual labor to aid in the election of a candidate.

2.5 The limit shall not apply to resources granted to candidates’ campaign organizations through programs established by local, state or federal law that are not designed to favor candidates based upon political party affiliation, beliefs, or prior experience. Such programs may distribute resources through publicly funded vouchers of equal size given by citizens to candidates seeking to represent the citizen or may establish funding qualification conditions that consider candidate's viability through favorable petitions of registered voters and matching contributions.

Section 3 Provisions for administrating this Amendment shall include the following.

3.1 Citizens and campaign organizations shall report to a governing federal agency all contributions to candidates that are not voluntary and uncompensated individual labor, but the identities of lawful providers shall not be publicized by the governing body or candidates’ campaign organizations without consent of the provider.

3.2 Neither individuals nor entities may subsidize or interfere with citizen choices regarding the amount of wealth or labor that citizens contribute or use to promote or oppose the election of candidates.

3.3 Neither candidates, nor campaign organizations nor political parties may solicit other entities to independently sponsor media for use by the candidate’s campaign, nor shall any independent organization sponsor media for that purpose. When a candidate’s campaign uses
independent media, it shall identify the source of that media and that media must be in compliance with Subsection 3.4.

3.4 All independent messages costing more than the limit established in Section 1 that contain any information pertaining to candidates must precede the message with prominent, clear, simple and transparent means for public access to the identities of all of the message sponsors, give audiences a reasonable prior expectation that information about candidates will be a part of the message and enable audiences to easily preempt their participation.

Section 4 No wealth or assets other than those authorized by this Amendment may be contributed to candidates’ campaigns, or be used to supplement or offset the costs of candidates’ campaigns. Candidates may use only the wealth and assets authorized by this Amendment to fund the cost of campaigning and advertising for election.