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Hutchinson-A drive to bring about a vote on reapportionment was kicked off in the House of Representatives today and Rep. Bob Dole was one of the 25 members to sign the extraordinary discharge petition.

Dole, speaking in support of ~~H.R.~~ House Joint Resolution #2, introduced by Rep. Wright Patman (D. Texas), said, "The 89th Congress is faced with many controversial matters, though I know of none more important than protecting the rights of rural America. This can be done by submitting constitutional amendment to the states providing, after proper ratification, that states having bicameral legislatures may apportion one house on factors other than population. This issue, let me emphasize, is not a partisan one, nor a philosophical one, but one involving basic constitutional separation of powers. One, I might add, which threatens our federal system, and our system of democratic decision-making because the U. S. Supreme Court, the only body not politically responsible within the American system on June 15, 1964, took unto itself the right to alter essential elements in our nation's basic covenant.

"While disagreeing with the Court's sweeping decision, let me hasten to add, I recognize that in some areas urban citizens have been deprived of an effective voice in state legislative body. The point I wish to make is that enactment of HJ Res. #3 introduced by ~~the~~ Cong. Patman, with an amendment providing for submission of any apportionment plan to the electorate of the

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state involved will assure every state of "balanced" representation. Kansas now enjoys "balanced" representation as the state senate is apportioned strictly on a population~~x~~ basis while in the state house of representatives each county has one state representative. (wherein 250 votes were cast at the last general election) and distribution of 20 additional house seats have been made to more populous counties.

"It is our sovereign duty to permit the people themselves to determine what changes are to be made in the fundamental principles of our representative government. I urge my colleagues to join in the effort initiated Wednesday by Mr. Patman.

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