109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. J. RES. 88

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 6, 2006

Mrs. Musgrave (for herself, Mr. McIntyre, Mr. Aderholt, Mr. Akin, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. Barton of Texas, Mr. Beauprez, Mr. Bishop of Georgia, Mrs. Blackburn, Mr. Boozman, Mr. Brady of Texas, Mr. Brown of South Carolina, Mr. Burton of Indiana, Mr. Cannon, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. CARTER, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. CHOCOLA, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mr. Conaway, Mrs. Cubin, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Davis of Tennessee, Mrs. Jo Ann Davis of Virginia, Mr. Davis of Kentucky, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. EVERETT, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. FORBES, Ms. FOXX, Mr. Franks of Arizona, Mr. Garrett of New Jersey, Mr. Gingrey, Mr. GOODE, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. HALL, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. HAYES, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. HERGER, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. Istook, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Jones of North Carolina, Mr. King of Iowa, Mr. Kuhl of New York, Mr. Lewis of Kentucky, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. MARCHANT, Mr. McCotter, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. McKeon, Miss McMorris, Mrs. Miller of Michigan, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. MUR-PHY, Mrs. Myrick, Mr. Neugebauer, Mr. Norwood, Mr. Nussle, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. PENCE, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. PITTS, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. Sessions, Mr. Shadegg, Mr. Shuster, Mr. Smith of New Jersey, Mr. Smith of Texas, Mr. Sodrel, Mr. Souder, Mr. Stearns, Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Tancredo, Mr. Taylor of Mississippi, Mr. Tiahrt, Mr. Wamp, Mr. Weldon of Florida, Mr. West-MORELAND, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

- 1 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
- 2 of the United States of America in Congress assembled
- 3 (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-
- 4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
- 5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
- 6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
- 7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
- 8 States:
- 9 "Article —
- "Section 1. This article may be cited as the 'Mar-
- 11 riage Protection Amendment'.
- 12 "Section 2. Marriage in the United States shall con-
- 13 sist only of the union of a man and a woman. Neither
- 14 this Constitution, nor the constitution of any State, shall
- 15 be construed to require that marriage or the legal inci-
- 16 dents thereof be conferred upon any union other than the
- 17 union of a man and a woman.".

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