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STUDENT SENATE

S06RS

SGR No. 11

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A RESOLUTION

TO URGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REJECT THE AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION DEFINING MARRIAGE.

PARAGRAPH 1: WHEREAS, ON JUNE 5, 2006, THE UNITED STATES SENATE WILL CONSIDER H.J. RES. 39 AND ITS COMPANION LEGISLATION S.J. RES. 13 WHICH STATES:

"JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES RELATING TO MARRIAGE.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED (TWO-THIRDS OF EACH HOUSE CONCURRING THEREIN), THAT THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE IS PROPOSED AS AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, WHICH SHALL BE VALID IN ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES AS PART OF THE CONSTITUTION WHEN RATIFIED BY THE LEGISLATURES OF THREE-FOURTHS OF THE SEVERAL STATES WITHIN SEVEN YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF ITS SUBMISSION FOR RATIFICATION:

(A) ARTICLE --

SECTION 1. MARRIAGE IN THE UNITED STATES SHALL CONSIST OF A LEGAL UNION OF ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN.

SECTION 2. NO COURT OF THE UNITED STATES OR OF ANY STATE SHALL HAVE JURISDICTION TO DETERMINE WHETHER THIS CONSTITUTION OR THAT OF ANY STATE REQUIRES THAT THE LEGAL INCIDENTS OF MARRIAGE BE CONFERRED UPON ANY UNION OTHER THAN A LEGAL UNION BETWEEN ONE MAN AND ONE WOMAN.

SECTION 3. NO STATE SHALL BE REQUIRED TO GIVE EFFECT TO ANY PUBLIC ACT, RECORD, OR JUDICIAL PROCEEDING OF ANY OTHER STATE CONCERNING A UNION BETWEEN PERSONS OF THE SAME SEX THAT IS TREATED AS A MARRIAGE, OR AS HAVING THE LEGAL INCIDENTS OF MARRIAGE, UNDER THE LAWS OF SUCH OTHER STATE."

PARAGRAPH 2: WHEREAS, THIS PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, IF PASSED, WILL AFFECT CURRENT STUDENTS WHO HAVE CONTRACTED SAME-SEX UNIONS IN THE JURISDICTIONS THAT CURRENTLY PERMIT SAME-SEX UNIONS AS IT WILL NULLIFY SAID UNIONS, AND

PARAGRAPH 3: WHEREAS, THIS PROPOSED AMENDMENT WILL ALSO AFFECT STUDENTS IN THE FUTURE WHO DESIRE TO CONTRACT SAME-SEX UNIONS IN THE JURISDICTIONS THAT CURRENTLY, OR IN THE FUTURE PERMIT SAME-SEX UNIONS, AND

PARAGRAPH 4: WHEREAS, INDIVIDUAL STATES SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO DETERMINE, ACCORDING TO EACH STATE'S PUBLIC POLICY, IF SAME-SEX UNIONS SHOULD BE ALLOWED WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF SAID STATE, NOT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

PARAGRAPH 5: THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE THAT THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS IS URGED TO REJECT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION DEFINING MARRIAGE. A COPY OF THIS LEGISLATION SHALL BE TRANSMITTED TO THE MEMBERS OF THE LOUISIANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS.

PARAGRAPH 6: THIS RESOLUTION SHALL TAKE EFFECT UPON PASSAGE BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE LSU STUDENT SENATE AND SIGNATURE BY THE PRESIDENT, UPON LAPSE OF TIME FOR PRESIDENTIAL ACTION, OR IF VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT AND SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED BY THE SENATE, ON THE DATE OF SUCH APPROVAL.

APPROVED:

BO STAPLES, SPEAKER

DATE

MICHELLE GIEG, PRESIDENT

DATE