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1 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 23
2 BY VEENSTRA, BEHN, SCHUERER, JOHNSON, GREINER,
3 REDWINE, GASKILL, ZIEMAN, REHBERG, MCKINLEY,
4 and BOETTGER

5 A Resolution designating May 3, 2001, as statewide
6 Prayer Day.

7 WHEREAS, a "Prayer Day" was first proclaimed by the
8 Continental Congress in 1775; and

9 WHEREAS, it is fitting that we in the state of Iowa
10 observe a day when we acknowledge our many blessings
11 and express gratitude to God while recognizing the
12 need to strengthen the religious and moral values in
13 our land; and

14 WHEREAS, the national association for prayer
15 promotes a statewide "Prayer Day" in Iowa to bring
16 peace, unity, and healing to our people; and

17 WHEREAS, a number of states across America will
18 recognize the power of prayer by participating in
19 bringing people together to pray for our schools,
20 cities, states, and nation; and

21 WHEREAS, students at all levels of education should
22 be encouraged to begin their school day with the
23 pledge of allegiance, to begin the school day on a
24 positive note and reintroduce a worthy patriotic
25 program forgotten by many, and instill some
26 traditional values and morals, which are much needed
27 in this society; NOW THEREFORE,

28 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That May 3, 2001, be
29 designated as "Iowa Prayer Day" and all citizens are
30 urged to reflect on the role of prayer as a

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1 fundamental part of the nation's heritage and that, in
2 seeking divine guidance, there is unifying power for
3 citizens from a diverse number of religious
4 backgrounds.

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