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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 1 2 BY KRAMER, LUNDBY, MADDOX, TINSMAN, IVERSON, HOLVECK, DEARDEN, BOLKCOM, HARPER, FIEGEN, DVORSKY, DELUHERY, 3 HORN, FINK, HAMMOND, and SHEARER 4 5 A Resolution designating June 16, 2001, as Juneteenth 6 National Freedom Day. WHEREAS, the third Saturday in June is celebrated 7 8 as National Freedom Day and is also known as 9 Emancipation Day; and 10 WHEREAS, Juneteenth National Freedom Day is the 11 oldest known African-American celebration of the end 12 of slavery in the United States and occurred on or 13 about June nineteenth; and WHEREAS, Juneteenth National Freedom Day celebrates 14 15 the meaning and importance of the Emancipation 16 Proclamation, which ended slavery in the United 17 States; and 18 WHEREAS, spontaneous celebrations erupted 19 throughout the United States when African-Americans 20 learned that they were free; and 21 WHEREAS, all citizens of Iowa are encouraged to 22 observe the day in a manner that emphasizes the 23 meaning and importance of the Emancipation 24 Proclamation; NOW THEREFORE, 25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the third 26 Saturday in June, June 16, 2001, is designated 27 Juneteenth National Freedom Day. 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate encourages 29 the citizens of Iowa to recognize and celebrate the 30 importance of this day to every person who cherishes

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