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HJR 2002

Passed House, Date _____ Passed Senate, Date _____
Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____ Vote: Ayes _____ Nays _____
Approved _____

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

1 A Resolution petitioning Congress to propose an amendment to the
2 Constitution of the United States defining marriage as the
3 legal union between one man and one woman as husband and wife.
4 WHEREAS, the United States Congress passed the federal Defense
5 of Marriage Act in 1996, defining marriage as the legal union
6 between one man and one woman as husband and wife; and
7 WHEREAS, to date 37 states have enacted laws defining marriage
8 as between one man and one woman; and

1 WHEREAS, the voters of at least four states -- Alaska, Hawaii,
2 Nebraska, and Nevada -- have approved constitutional amendments
3 to define marriage as the legal union between one man and one
4 woman; and

5 WHEREAS, marriage is essential to the foundation of a healthy
6 society and the government has a duty to protect that foundation;

7 NOW THEREFORE,

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 That the United States Congress is hereby petitioned to
2 propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States,
3 for submission to the states for ratification, to define
4 marriage as the legal union between one man and one woman as
5 husband and wife.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
7 sent to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker
8 of the United States House of Representatives, and to all
9 members of Iowa's congressional delegation.

10 EXPLANATION

11 This joint resolution constitutes a petition to the United
12 States Congress to propose a constitutional amendment to
13 define marriage as the legal union between one man and one
14 woman as husband and wife.

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1 Amend House Joint Resolution 2002 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, by inserting after line 5 the
3 following:

4 "BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the President of the
5 United States, George W. Bush, is urged to take swift
6 action to remove Rod Paige from the position of United
7 States Secretary of Education."

8 2. Page 1, line 7, by inserting after the word
9 "States" the following: ", the United States
10 Secretary of Education, the President of the United
11 States".

12 3. Title page 1, line 1, by inserting after the
13 word "Resolution" the following: "relating to
14 marriage and education as the foundations of a healthy
15 society by urging the removal of the United States
16 Secretary of Education and by".

17 4. Title page 2, line 6, by inserting after the
18 word "foundation;" the following: "and

19 WHEREAS, a strong education system is also
20 essential to the foundation of a healthy society and
21 government has a duty to protect the education system;
22 and

23 WHEREAS, the United States Secretary of Education
24 is the leader for federal education policy issues; and

25 WHEREAS, every State in the Union is in the middle
26 of implementing one of the more far-reaching federal
27 mandates designed to improve student achievement; and

28 WHEREAS, the United States is a democracy that
29 requires leadership to bring people with differing
30 views together, rather than a government that works to
31 divide its people; and

32 WHEREAS, U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige
33 recently alienated millions of educators and 2.7
34 million teachers in the National Education Association
35 by making inappropriate comments during a private
36 meeting with governors at the White House; and

37 WHEREAS, efforts to change the federal policies
38 that impact the education of children in our public
39 schools should not be considered an act of terrorism;
40 and

41 WHEREAS, a number of Representatives and Senators
42 of the Iowa General Assembly are members of the
43 National Education Association and are loyal to the
44 principles of America's representative democracy; and

45 WHEREAS, Secretary Rod Paige's apology to the
46 members of the National Education Association failed
47 to repudiate the content of his inappropriate
48 comments; and

49 WHEREAS, Secretary Rod Paige has repeatedly made
50 inaccurate and unfair statements about Iowa's

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1 implementation of federal law regarding education
2 policy;"

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