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HR 1029

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6 Fite, Hardwick, House, Jeffrey, Key, Mack, Martin, Medley, Norton, Parks, Petrus, L. Prater, Pritchard,  
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25 WHEREAS, our Creator, who endowed all people with certain unalienable  
26 rights, also established the union of one man and one woman as the first and  
27 most essential institution in society; and

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29 WHEREAS, throughout human history the family of one man, one woman, and  
30 their children has been the core social unit of healthy and flourishing  
31 cultures; and

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33 WHEREAS, in 1997, the Arkansas General Assembly passed a Defense of  
34 Marriage Act prohibiting marriages between persons of the same sex and  
35 denying marital benefits to same sex marriages; and

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1           WHEREAS, it is the public policy of the State of Arkansas to recognize  
2 the marital union only of one man and one woman;

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4           WHEREAS, recently there have been serious attempts to change the  
5 historical definition of marriage through legislation and judicial action;  
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8           WHEREAS, recent court action outside of Arkansas may jeopardize the  
9 enforcement of Arkansas' Defense of Marriage Act,

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11 NOW THEREFORE,  
12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-FOURTH GENERAL  
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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15           THAT the House of Representatives of the Eighty-fourth General Assembly  
16 of the State of Arkansas requests that all members of Arkansas' delegation to  
17 the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate  
18 support the Federal Marriage Amendment to the United States Constitution.