STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. HJ0017

Defense of marriage.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Petersen, Anderson, R.,
Brechtel, Buchanan, Edmonds, Hallinan,
Harshman, Mercer, Miller, Quarberg, Semlek
and Teeters

A BILL

for

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing to amend the Wyoming

2 Constitution by creating a new section specifying that a

3 marriage between a man and a woman shall be the only legal

4 union that shall be valid or recognized in Wyoming.

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6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING,

7 two-thirds of all the members of the two houses, voting

8 separately, concurring therein:

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10 Section 1. The following proposal to amend Wyoming

11 Constitution, Article 1, by creating a new Section 38 is

12 proposed for submission to the electors of the State of

13 Wyoming at the next general election for approval or

14 rejection to become valid as a part of the Constitution if

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15 ratified by a majority of the electors at the election:

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2 Article 1, Section 38. Marriages recognized.

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- 4 A marriage between a man and a woman shall be the only
- 5 legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this
- 6 state.

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- 8 **Section 2.** That the Secretary of State shall endorse
- 9 the following statement on the proposed amendment:

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- 11 The adoption of this amendment would limit the marriages
- 12 that are considered legal and valid in Wyoming, regardless
- 13 of where entered into, to those between persons of the
- 14 opposite sex.

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16 (END)

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