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H. J. RES. 66

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States restoring religious freedom.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 15, 1999

Mr. ISTOOK introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein),* That the fol-
4 lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-
5 stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
6 intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when
7 ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
8 States within seven years after the date of its submission
9 for ratification:

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “To secure the people’s right to acknowledge God ac-
3 cording to the dictates of conscience: Neither the United
4 States nor any State shall establish any official religion,
5 but the people’s right to pray and to recognize their reli-
6 gious beliefs, heritage, or traditions on public property, in-
7 cluding schools, shall not be infringed. Neither the United
8 States nor any State shall require any person to join in
9 prayer or other religious activity, prescribe school prayers,
10 discriminate against religion, or deny equal access to a
11 benefit on account of religion.”.

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