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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 3, 2011

Mr. BROUN of Georgia (for himself, Mr. AKIN, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. WALSH of Illinois, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. STUTZMAN, Mr. LATTA, Mr. PITTS, Mr. GARRETT, Mr. ROE of Tennessee, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. BUR-TON of Indiana, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. BENISHEK, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, and Mr. WESTMORELAND) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to marriage.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives
of the United States of America in Congress assembled
(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all
intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when

ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several
States:

3 "Article—

4 "SECTION 1. This article may be cited as the 'Mar-5 riage Protection Amendment'.

6 "SECTION 2. Marriage in the United States shall con-7 sist only of the union of a man and a woman. Neither 8 this Constitution, nor the constitution of any State, shall 9 be construed to require that marriage or the legal inci-10 dents thereof be conferred upon any union other than the 11 union of a man and a woman.".

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