## SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 38

## 92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Submitting to the qualified voters of Missouri an amendment to the Constitution of Missouri relating to the prohibition of same-sex marriage.

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein:

That at the next general election to be held in the state of Missouri, on Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2004, or at a special election to be called by the 2 governor for that purpose, there is hereby submitted to the qualified voters of this state, for 3 4 adoption or rejection, the following amendment to the Constitution of the state of Missouri: Section A. The Constitution of Missouri is amended by adding thereto one new article, to be known as article XIV, to read as follows: 2 3 **Article XIV** 4 Marriage 5 Section 1. Marriage in this state shall consist only of the union of a man and a woman, and no license to marry shall be issued except to a man and a woman. Marriage 6 7 between persons of the same sex shall not be recognized for any purpose whatsoever.