By: Harris S.J.R. No. 4

1 JOINT RESOLUTION

2 proposing a constitutional amendment relating to appropriations

for the preservation and perpetuation of certain items of

4 historical value; allowing the legislature and state agencies to

accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of historical value and

6 contributions to purchase such items.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

8 SECTION 1. Section 39, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, is

amended to read as follows:

10 Sec. 39. The Legislature may, from time to time, make

appropriations for preserving and perpetuating memorials of the

history of Texas, by means of monuments, statues, paintings, films,

videotapes, audiotapes, computer files or other electronic storage

media, and documents of historical value. The Legislature or an

agency of the state may accept on behalf of the state gifts of items

16 of historical value and contributions to purchase items of

17 historical value.

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18 SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be

submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 2004.

20 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the

21 proposition: "The constitutional amendment allowing the

legislature to make appropriations for preserving and perpetuating

23 certain items of historical value and allowing the legislature and

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- 1 state agencies to accept on behalf of the state gifts of items of
- 2 historical value and contributions to preserve and perpetuate such
- 3 items."