A JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment on professional sports team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles.

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

SECTION 1. Section 47(d-1), Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended to read as follows:

(d-1) The legislature by general law may permit a professional sports team charitable foundation to conduct charitable raffles under the terms and conditions imposed by general law. The law may authorize the charitable foundation to pay with the raffle proceeds reasonable advertising, promotional, and administrative expenses. A law enacted under this subsection applies only to an entity defined as a professional sports team charitable foundation under that law on January 1, 2016, and may only allow charitable raffles to be conducted at games hosted at the home venue of the professional sports team associated with a professional sports team charitable foundation. In this subsection, "professional sports team" means:

(1) a team organized in this state that is a member of Major League Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Hockey League, the National Football League, Major League Soccer, the American Hockey League, the East Coast Hockey League, the American Association of Independent Professional Baseball, the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball, Minor League Baseball, the National Basketball Association Development League, the
National Women's Soccer League, the Major Arena Soccer League, the
United Soccer League, or the Women's National Basketball
Association;
(2) a person hosting a motorsports racing team event
sanctioned by the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing
(NASCAR), INDYCar, or another nationally recognized motorsports
racing association at a venue in this state with a permanent seating
capacity of not less than 75,000;
(3) an organization hosting a Professional Golf
Association event; or
(4) any other professional sports team defined by law.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017.
The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
proposition: "The constitutional amendment on professional sports
team charitable foundations conducting charitable raffles."