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S.J.R. No. 44

A JOINT RESOLUTION

1 proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the recognition
2 of equal rights of all people.

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

4 SECTION 1. Section 3, Article I, Texas Constitution, is
5 amended to read as follows:

6 Sec. 3. All [~~free~~] men and women, when they form a social
7 compact, have equal rights, and no man or woman, or set of men or
8 women, is entitled to exclusive separate public emoluments, or
9 privileges, but in consideration of public services.

10 SECTION 2. Section 3a, Article I, Texas Constitution, is
11 amended to read as follows:

12 Sec. 3a. Equality under the law shall not be denied or
13 abridged because of sex, race, color, creed, military status,
14 health status, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity or
15 expression, age, religion, disability, genetic information,
16 family, marital status, previous incarceration, or national
17 origin. This amendment is self-operative.

18 SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be
19 submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 2017.
20 The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the
21 proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the
22 recognition of equal rights of all people."