



## **Flag Protection Constitutional Amendment**

WHEREAS, The laws of forty-eight states and the federal government protected the Flag of the United States from acts of physical desecration until 1989; and

WHEREAS, The Supreme Court, in 1989, ruled flag desecration to be a “right” of free speech; and

WHEREAS, A constitutional amendment is necessary to reinstate flag protection laws; and

WHEREAS, Eighty percent of the American people believe the flag is worthy of protection from acts of physical desecration; and

WHEREAS, Forty-nine state legislatures have petitioned the Congress for the amendment, which reads: “The Congress shall have power to prohibit the physical desecration of the Flag of the United States”; and

WHEREAS, The amendment has passed the US House of Representatives four times in four consecutive Congresses (the 104<sup>th</sup>, 105<sup>th</sup>, 106<sup>th</sup> and 107<sup>th</sup>), but has failed in the Senate each time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the signers of the attached petitions, that the Flag of the United States of America, a symbol of nationhood, of national unity, and of resolve by a free people to remain so, deserves protection from acts of physical desecration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the right to protect the flag under the laws of the land should be returned to the American people through their elected Congress; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That both the US House of Representatives and the US Senate shall propose an amendment to the US Constitution, for ratification by the several states, that will give to Congress the power to effect laws that will prohibit the physical desecration of the Flag of the United States.