PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

from Texas, to the vice-president of the United States, and to the speaker of the United States House of Representatives with the request that it be printed in full in the Congressional Record.

SECTION 7. The secretary of state of the State of Texas shall also send copies of this resolution to the presiding officers of the legislatures of those states that have not as yet ratified the proposed amendment to the United States Constitution.

Passed by the House on April 4, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 131, Nays 2, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.J.R. No. 6 on May 25, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 145, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 24, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Filed with the Secretary of State, May 29, 1989.

H.J.R. No. 13
A JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing a constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation certain property of nonprofit veterans organizations.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Article VIII, Section 2, of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) The Legislature by general law may exempt from ad valorem taxation property that is owned by a nonprofit organization composed primarily of members or former members of the armed forces of the United States or its allies and chartered or incorporated by the United States Congress.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 7, 1989. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to exempt property of nonprofit veterans organizations from ad valorem taxation."

Passed by the House on May 10, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0. Passed by the Senate on May 26, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Filed with the Secretary of State, May 30, 1989.

H.J.R. No. 19
A JOINT RESOLUTION
proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the rights of crime victims.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Article I of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding Section 30 to read as follows:

Sec. 30. RIGHTS OF CRIME VICTIMS. (a) A crime victim has the following rights:

(1) the right to be treated with fairness and with respect for the victim’s dignity and privacy throughout the criminal justice process; and

(2) the right to be reasonably protected from the accused throughout the criminal justice process.

(b) On the request of a crime victim, the crime victim has the following rights:

(1) the right to notification of court proceedings;

(2) the right to be present at all public court proceedings related to the offense, unless the victim is to testify and the court determines that the victim’s testimony would be materially affected if the victim hears other testimony at the trial;

(3) the right to a reasonable opportunity to make a statement to the judge or jury during any proceeding, public or private, in which the victim’s safety is a direct issue;

(4) the right to a reasonable opportunity to present evidence on behalf of the victim’s safety;

(5) the right to the notification of the final disposition of the case;

(6) the right to full and reasonable compensation for physical, psychological, and economic injury caused by the crime; and

(7) the right to reasonable security as determined by the court.

Passed by the House on May 10, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 140, Nays 0. Passed by the Senate on May 26, 1989, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.