

1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8

2 46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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10 A JOINT RESOLUTION

11 PROPOSING TO AMEND ARTICLE 2, SECTION 18 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF  
12 NEW MEXICO TO PROVIDE THAT LIFE BEGINS AT FERTILIZATION AND  
13 CONTINUES UNTIL NATURAL DEATH.

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15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

16 Section 1. It is proposed to amend Article 2, Section 18  
17 of the constitution of New Mexico to read:

18 "Human life begins at the moment of fertilization and  
19 continues until natural death, and no person shall be deprived  
20 of life, liberty or property without due process of law; nor  
21 shall any person be denied equal protection of the laws.  
22 Equality of rights under law shall not be denied on account of  
23 the sex of any person. [~~The effective date of this amendment~~  
24 ~~shall be July 1, 1973.~~]"

25 Section 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution

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1 shall be submitted to the people for their approval or  
2 rejection at the next general election or at any special  
3 election prior to that date that may be called for that  
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