

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

3 HOUSE JOINT  
4 RESOLUTION 1046

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7 AS INTRODUCED

8 A Joint Resolution directing the Secretary of State  
9 to refer to the people for their approval or  
10 rejection a proposed amendment to the Constitution of  
11 the State of Oklahoma by adding a new section to  
12 Article 2 to be designated as Section 2A; defining  
13 terms; providing for when personhood begins;  
14 providing ballot title; and directing filing.

15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE  
16 2ND SESSION OF THE 59TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

17 SECTION 1. The Secretary of State shall refer to the people for  
18 their approval or rejection, as and in the manner provided by law,  
19 the following proposed amendment to the Oklahoma Constitution which  
20 would add a new section to be designated as Section 2A:

21 A. As used in this section:

22 1. "Conception" means the fertilization of the ovum of a female  
23 individual by the sperm of a male individual; and

24 2. "Personhood" means the state or fact of being a human being  
with characteristics, feelings, and individualized DNA.

1 B. Personhood begins at conception.

2 SECTION 2. The Ballot Title for the proposed Constitutional  
3 amendment as set forth in SECTION 1 of this resolution shall be in  
4 the following form:

5 BALLOT TITLE

6 Legislative Referendum No. \_\_\_\_\_ State Question No. \_\_\_\_\_

7 THE GIST OF THE PROPOSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

8 This measure adds a new Section 2A to Article 2 of the Oklahoma  
9 Constitution. The proposed Section 2A defines conception and  
10 personhood. The proposed Section 2A states that personhood  
11 begins at conception.

12 SHALL THE PROPOSAL BE APPROVED?

13 FOR THE PROPOSAL - YES \_\_\_\_\_

14 AGAINST THE PROPOSAL - NO \_\_\_\_\_

15 SECTION 3. The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives,  
16 immediately after the passage of this resolution, shall prepare and  
17 file one copy thereof, including the Ballot Title set forth in  
18 SECTION 2 hereof, with the Secretary of State and one copy with the  
19 Attorney General.

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