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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 4, 1998

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. FORD, Mr. LOTT, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. BOND, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HELMS, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. KYL, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MACK, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROTH, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BREAUX, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. REID, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. JOHNSON) introduced the following joint resolution; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

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- 1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
- 2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
- 3 That the following article is proposed as an amendment
- 4 to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be

1 valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitu-
2 tion when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of
3 the several States within 7 years after the date of its sub-
4 mission for ratification:

5 “ARTICLE —

6 “The Congress shall have power to prohibit the phys-
7 ical desecration of the flag of the United States.”.

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