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The Honorable Paul Pate Secretary of State Hand-Delivered

Re: Transmittal of Senate Joint Resolution 18

Dear Secretary Pate:

Please find the attached Senate Joint Resolution 18 for filing with your office and appropriate publication as set out in Section 2 of the Resolution. The Resolution deals with a proposed amendment to Iowa's Constitution relating to the right of the people to keep and bear arms.

Pursuant to Joint Senate/House Rule 21(2), this specific type of "joint resolution" does not require consideration and signature by the Governor.

Sincerely,

W. Charles Smithson

Secretary of the Senate



Senate Joint Resolution 18

A JOINT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF IOWA RELATING TO THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. The following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is proposed:

Article I of the Constitution of the State of Iowa is amended by adding the following new section:

Right to keep and bear arms. Sec. 1A. The right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed. The sovereign state of Iowa affirms and recognizes this right to be a fundamental individual right. Any and all restrictions of this right shall be subject to strict scrutiny.

Sec. 2. REFERRAL AND PUBLICATION. The foregoing proposed amendment to the Constitution of the State of Iowa is referred to the general assembly to be chosen at the next general

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election for members of the general assembly, and shall be published as provided by law for three months previous to the date of that election.

CHARLES SCHNEIDER

President of the Senate

LINDA UPMEYER

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that this joint resolution originated in the Senate and is known as Senate Joint Resolution 18, Eighty-eighth General Assembly.

W. CHARLES SMITHSON

Secretary of the Senate