058836276 **HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 528** 1 2 3 4 5 Offered January 12, 2005 Prefiled October 8, 2004 Proposing an amendment to Article I of the Constitution of Virginia by adding a section numbered 16-A, relating to marriage. 6 Patrons—Cosgrove, Carrico, Lingamfelter and Nixon 7 8 Referred to Committee on Privileges and Elections 9 RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, a majority of the members elected to 10 each house agreeing, That the following amendment to the Constitution of Virginia be, and the same 11 **12** hereby is, proposed and referred to the General Assembly at its first regular session held after the next general election of members of the House of Delegates for its concurrence in conformity with the 13 14 provisions of Section 1 of Article XII of the Constitution of Virginia, namely: **15** Amend Article I of the Constitution of Virginia by adding a section numbered 16-A as follows: 16 ARTICLE I **BILL OF RIGHTS** 17 18 Section 16-A. Marriage. 19 To be valid or recognized in this Commonwealth, a marriage may exist only between one man and 20 one woman. No provision of this Constitution shall be interpreted to require the Commonwealth to recognize or permit marriage between individuals of the same sex.