

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

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2 BY SCHUERER, VEENSTRA, MILLER, GREINER, KING, ZIEMAN,
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5 A Senate Resolution to prominently display the Ten
6 Commandments in the Iowa Senate chamber.

7 WHEREAS, President Ronald Reagan spoke in Moscow in
8 May 1988, saying that democracy is a system of
9 constraints of power to keep politics and government
10 secondary to the true sources of value found only in
11 family and faith; and

12 WHEREAS, President George Washington stated in his
13 farewell address that reason and experience both
14 forbid an expectation that national morality can
15 prevail in exclusion of religious principle; and

16 WHEREAS, the Ten Commandments contain fundamental
17 legal principles that provide a basis for the system
18 of law, justice, and social order in Iowa and the
19 United States; and

20 WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives
21 has declared that display of the Ten Commandments in
22 the buildings of states and political subdivisions of
23 states should be a power reserved to the states; and

24 WHEREAS, the Iowa Senate finds that the success of
25 this nation and this state will rest on citizens'
26 ability to govern themselves according to the Ten
27 Commandments; NOW THEREFORE,

28 BE IT RESOLVED, That the Ten Commandments shall be
29 prominently displayed in the Iowa Senate chamber; and

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Iowa Senate

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1 encourages all other Iowa state governmental bodies
2 and political subdivisions to also prominently display
3 the Ten Commandments.

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