

**RESOLUTION: CONCERNED WOMEN FOR AMERICA OF NORTH CAROLINA
SUPPORTS THE NORTH CAROLINA MARRIAGE PROTECTION AMENDMENT**

WHEREAS, marriage as the union of one man and one woman has served as the foundation of our society since before North Carolina was a state; and,

WHEREAS, marriage, is not merely a private contract, but a social institution of great public value and concern, benefitting the married couple, their children, our economy, and the state as a whole; and,

WHEREAS, North Carolina is the only state in the South that has not protected marriage in its constitution, even though every state that has allowed the people to vote, 30 in all, has protected marriage in their state constitutions as the union of one man and one woman; and,

WHEREAS, the Marriage Protection Amendment reads, “Marriage between one man and one woman is the only domestic legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this State. This section does not prohibit a private party from entering into contracts with another private party; nor does this section prohibit courts from adjudicating the rights of private parties pursuant to such contracts” and,

WHEREAS, **Concerned Women for America of North Carolina** encourages the people of North Carolina to voice their opinion by exercising their right to vote on May 8, 2012,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that **Concerned Women for America of North Carolina** endorses the Marriage Protection Amendment to the North Carolina Constitution which states that the only domestic legal union that is valid or recognized in North Carolina is marriage between one man and one woman,

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