

## House Resolution 536

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that the paramount right to life  
 2 is vested in each human being from the moment of fertilization without regard to age, race,  
 3 sex, health, function, or condition of dependency; to provide for submission of this  
 4 amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

## 6 SECTION 1.

7 Article I, Section I of the Constitution is amended by redesignating Paragraph XXIX as  
 8 Paragraph XXX and inserting a new Paragraph XXIX to read as follows:

9 "Paragraph XXIX. ***Paramount right to life.*** (a) The rights of every person shall be  
 10 recognized, among which in the first place is the inviolable right of every innocent human  
 11 being to life. The right to life is the paramount and most fundamental right of a person.  
 12 (b) With respect to the fundamental and inalienable rights of all persons guaranteed in  
 13 this Constitution, the word 'person' applies to all human beings, irrespective of age, race,  
 14 sex, health, function, or condition of dependency, including unborn children at every state  
 15 of their biological development, including fertilization."

## 16 SECTION 2.

17 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as  
 18 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the  
 19 above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

20 "( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to provide that the  
 21 paramount right to life is vested in each human being from the moment of  
 22 ( ) NO fertilization without regard to age, race, sex, health, function, or condition  
 23 of dependency?"

24 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."

25 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If

- 1 such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
- 2 become a part of the Constitution of this state.