

# FORUM NOTES

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**PASSING THE AMENDMENTS**

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## **What Citizens Can Do To Pass The State & Federal Marriage Amendments**

**TIMELINE: July 12, 2004 – U.S. Senate Vote. September 18, 2004 – Vote on LA Marriage Amendment.**

### **Make Calls**

Call your Senators through the United States Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121 or the Senators' district offices and tell them you want them to pass the marriage amendment.

#### Senator Mary Landrieu:

New Orleans: 504-589-2427

Baton Rouge: 225-389-0395

Shreveport: 318-676-3085

Lake Charles: 337-436-6650

#### Senator John Breaux:

New Orleans: 504-589-2531

Baton Rouge: 225-248-0104

Lafayette: 337-262-6871

Monroe: 318-325-3320

### **Office Visits**

Visit your Senators' offices, both their Washington, D.C., and their state offices. Arrange meetings for your groups with Senators in your states and/or with whom you have a relationship.

### **Petitions**

Gather signatures at your local churches, community groups and synagogues and deliver those to Senators.

### **E-mail Petitions**

Send Senate offices e-mail petitions from members of your groups/congregations.

### **Press/Radio Call-ins and Letters-to-the-Editor**

Do as much press as possible. Hold endorsement press conferences. Organize rallies and vigils. Call in to radio talk shows. Send letters-to-the-editor and op-ed's for publication in your local and state newspapers advocating passage of the state and federal marriage amendments.

### **Go Vote on September 18, 2004 for the Louisiana Marriage Amendment!**

Encourage your family and friends to do so as well. Call them on Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, (after you've voted) and ask them if they have.