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COLORADO U.S. SENATOR WAYNE ALLARD LAUDS PRESIDENT BUSH'S DEFENSE OF MARRIAGE

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard (R-Colorado) made the following statement today after President Bush endorsed the principles of the Federal Marriage Amendment which Senator Allard introduced in November, 2003.

“I commend President Bush for taking this courageous stand in defense of marriage.

“The President has made it clear that he believes, as I do, that a few activist courts are seeking to redefine the institution of marriage in our society without regard for the wishes of the American people. Judicial activism in this arena must be curtailed.

“The amendment, which the President has endorsed, would define marriage as a union between a man and a woman. It goes no further, and reasserts the authority of individual state legislatures to create civil unions and define any benefits that may apply to that status.

“Let’s be clear what’s happening here: a few courts, but not a single state legislature, have taken it upon themselves to broaden – beyond recognition – the definition of marriage, an institution that has served as a bulwark of our nation for more than two centuries. This amendment is a course correction that reflects the opinion of an overwhelming majority of the American people.”

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