

## **A Resolution to Ban the Lottery Across The United States of America (L17)**

- 1    **WHEREAS,**    Lotteries exist in 44 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the  
2                    Virgin Islands; and
- 3    **WHEREAS,**    The lottery is the most widely used and common form of commercial  
4                    gambling in the United States; and
- 5    **WHEREAS,**    State lotteries have the worst odds of any form of commercial gambling;  
6                    and
- 7    **WHEREAS,**    Allowing citizens to participate in the lottery promotes addictive  
8                    gambling behavior; and
- 9    **WHEREAS,**    Low-Income Americans are disproportionately affected by the use of  
10                   lotteries; now, therefore, be it
- 11 **RESOLVED,**   That the Congress here assembled strongly recommend that each state  
12                   ban the commercial practice of state lotteries.

*Introduced for Congressional Debate by Gary Hull of Northwest Guilford HS.*