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WASHINGTON, D.C., FEB. 19, 1971 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole has joined in proposing an amendment to the Constitution with respect to the offering of prayer in public schools and other public buildings.

The amendment states: "Nothing contained in this Constitution shall abridge the right of persons lawfully assembled, in any public building which is supported in whole or in part through the expenditure of public funds, to participate in nondenominational prayer."

Senator Dole said that the resolution is identical to that offered by the late Senator Dirksen in several previous Congresses.