

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6019

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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9 A RESOLUTION urging the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to use
10 caution in approving new vaccines such as Gardasil which has had a
11 number of health problems including some deaths associated with the
12 use of this vaccine.

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14 WHEREAS, The genital human papillomavirus(HPV) is the most
15 common sexually transmitted infection with more than 40 different strains
16 of this virus; and

17 WHEREAS, The vaccine Gardasil was approved by the U.S. Food and
18 Drug Administration for use in June, 2006, as a vaccine to prevent the
19 transmission of some strains of HPV which can cause cervical cancer in
20 women; and

21 WHEREAS, The approval of Gardasil was much hyped, with Merck
22 claiming that it had the potential to eventually eliminate most cervical
23 cancers; and

24 WHEREAS, The FDA erred in its rush to approve Gardasil, and did
25 not study the vaccine's possible side effects thoroughly; and

26 WHEREAS, Following its approval, the Centers for Disease Con-
27 trol(CDC) recommended that all young girls between the ages of 11 and
28 12 receive the Gardasil vaccine; and

29 WHEREAS, Recently, 20 states have pushed for federal mandates to
30 make Gardasil mandatory for sixth grade girls; and

31 WHEREAS, Since its approval, there have been over 3,400 complaints
32 of adverse reactions to the Gardasil vaccine, and there could have been
33 as many as eight deaths attributable to Gardasil; and

34 WHEREAS, Side effects that have been reported include Bells Palsy,
35 Guillain-Barre Syndrome, seizures, miscarriages and even death; and

36 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas:*
37 That the U.S. Food and Drug Administration only approve new vaccines
38 and drugs that have been adequately studied to insure the safety of the
39 public; and

40 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of Repre-
41 sentatives be directed to send enrolled copies of this resolution to the
42 President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States
43 House of Representatives, each member of Congress from the State of

- 1 Kansas, and the office of Commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug
- 2 Administration.