

**H.C.R.4**

# **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING PROTECTION OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES**

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**Utah is home to 100,000 known archeological sites! These statewide sites attract tourists, while being of great religious and cultural value to Utahns, including members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Native American Tribes, and the Chinese Community. In addition, these cultural sites are a significant archeological resource to gain scientific knowledge about Utah's past.**



**Tourism is increasing, but many well-meaning visitors lack an understanding of how fragile these ancient sites are or even the knowledge of their existence, causing irreversible damage. Recently, countless acts of intentional harm, such as graffiti or looting, have occurred.**



**All Utahns have a stake in the preservation of archeological and cultural sites. H.C.R. 4 encourages the protection of these sites so that generations to come can enjoy these irreplaceable sites through Education, Enforcement of Existing laws, and Stewardship.**