POWDERED ALCOHOL

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The Missouri PTA (MOPTA) has a long history and tradition of supporting legislation that supports the safety and welfare of all children. MOPTA is concerned that Powdered Alcohol which is now approved for sale in the United States will be sold in Missouri resulting in unnecessary harm to youth.

Studies show that youth under the influence of alcohol are at greater risk to engage in illegal behavior, become victims of crime, be involved in alcohol related accidents, and experience health complications. MOPTA recognizes that access to powdered alcohol stands to increase alcohol use and abuse by youth.

Powdered alcohol contains more alcohol than beer, wine and the most common spirits. Powdered alcohol can be snorted, used to spike someone’s drink, sprinkled onto food, is easily concealed and lends itself to binge drinking by simply mixing multiple packages. The Missouri PTA believes that the potential threat to youth caused by this product far outweighs any benefit derived from its sale or distribution.

The Missouri PTA strongly urges its members to support legislation that would prohibit the sale or serving of powdered alcohol in Missouri.