BONDING CAPACITY

WHEREAS, The Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its Units and

Councils are on record in support of legislation for continual

financing of public education; and

WHEREAS, Current legislation states that a school district may become

indebted in an amount not to exceed fifteen percent of its assessed

valuation: and

WHEREAS, Bond passage requires local voter approval; and

WHEREAS, The current fifteen percent ceiling on indebtedness can restrict

school districts from providing adequate construction, expansion,

and/or renovation of facilities; and

WHEREAS, School Districts could realize fiscal savings by holding fewer bond

elections; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and

councils, urge the State Legislative Assembly to pass legislation to raise the limit on indebtedness for school districts from fifteen to

twenty percent of assessed valuation.