AT RISK STUDENTS

WHEREAS, The Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers are concerned with the health, education and welfare of children and youth; and

WHEREAS, There is reason to be concerned that there are many students at risk for serious problems such as substance abuse, physical and sexual

abuse, emotional problems, school drop out; and teen pregnancy;

and

WHEREAS, At risk students could better be served if their problems were

identified; therefore, be it

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

councils urge school districts to identify at risk students and to find

the means to serve their needs; and be it further

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

councils, urge the Missouri Legislature to strengthen and broaden the responsibilities of social services agencies to address the needs

of at risk students and their families; and, be it further

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

councils actively urge the Missouri Legislature to provide

additional funding to school districts and social service agencies, including the Division of Family Services, state mental and physical health care providers and welfare agencies, for

prevention/intervention programs for at risk students.