CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION

WHEREAS, Diseases of the heart and blood vessels are the leading causes of death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), when administered by trained persons, saves many lives that would have been lost; and

WHEREAS, Many persons ignore the signs and symptoms of heart attacks because they do not know them; and

WHEREAS, CPR training includes this information during the training; and

WHEREAS, CPR training includes help for persons who are choking; and

WHEREAS, CPR courses can be given to lay people over a minimum period of nine hours by groups such as the American Red Cross and the American Heart Association; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Missouri PTA recommend that two staff persons in each school be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That all school personnel are encouraged to take CPR courses; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Missouri PTA recommend that CPR be offered to high school students as part of a comprehensive health curriculum or physical education course; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Missouri PTA recommend that CPR be offered as part of the college curriculum.

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