MANDATORY BUSING COUPLED WITH INFLATION

WHEREAS, A main issue facing education today is one of economics; and

WHEREAS, The cost of transportation for students is a major part of the yearly budgets for both the state of Missouri and local school districts; and

WHEREAS, The state of Missouri will have an estimated additional $11 million per year in cost strictly for transportation because of mandatory busing without any of these monies being used for the actual educational process of the children; and

WHEREAS, Funds already budgeted and appropriated for other purposes, such as public safety, law enforcement, natural resources, handicapped assistance, business development, social services and mental health will have to be used; and

WHEREAS, The Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and councils are on record as being opposed to mandatory busing across district lines for integration purposes; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers its units and councils, work in every way possible to see that funds now designated for busing for integration purposes, are channeled into forming a more productive educational climate for all students in their neighborhood schools, thereby insuring the maintenance of local school control.