## MULTICULTURAL EDUCATION

WHEREAS, By the year 2000, one in every three children in the United States

will be of a minority culture; and

WHEREAS, The FBI reports that so-called "hate" crimes-crimes committed

against a racial, ethnic, religious or social group-have been

increasing at an alarming rate in recent years; and

WHEREAS, Schools have traditionally been a source of self-understanding,

social attitude, and information needed to function within

American society; and

WHEREAS, The National Congress of Parents and Teachers holds positions

which support the equality of all citizens and efforts to bring together diverse groups within our communities; therefore, be it

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

councils, provide volunteer leadership and cooperation to local school districts to study the concept of multicultural education; and

be it further

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, encourage the

Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to develop a multicultural education curricula and guidelines for implementation in the local school districts; and be it further

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

councils, encourage local school districts to adopt multicultural education curricula which would ensure that the total educational environment would be reflective of the ethnic diversity of the

United States of America.