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## **SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN**

- WHEREAS, Current trends indicate that children are now being extensively employed in the creation and production of obscene and pornographic material; and
- WHEREAS, This practice is obvious abuse of children; and
- WHEREAS, This sexual abuse is also financial exploitation of juveniles; and
- WHEREAS, The Missouri General Assembly has recognized the severity of this problem in its revision of the criminal code with a section defining this as a form of child abuse; and
- WHEREAS, All sexual abuse of children is a matter of great concern to the Missouri PTA; therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers its units and councils urge the Legislature to continue to insure effective laws to prohibit the use of children in the creation and production of obscene, pornographic and violent material and to protect minors from sexual abuse in any form; and, be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers urge its units and councils to support law enforcement agencies in their efforts to eliminate sexual abuse of children.

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