WHEREAS, The Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers is concerned with physical as well as academic growth of all children and youth; and

WHEREAS, The Special Olympics is a program of athletic competition for mentally handicapped students; and

WHEREAS, The Objects of PTA state, “To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education”; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers its member units and councils encourage the Missouri State High School Activities Association to include Special Olympics in their planned activities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Missouri Congress of Parents and Teachers, its member units and councils urge local school boards to support the Special Olympics for all mentally handicapped elementary and secondary students.

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