COMPULSORY KINDERGARTEN

WHEREAS, Kindergarten is not compulsory in the state of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, Funding for children attending public school kindergarten is

currently provided on a one-half day basis through the Foundation;

and

WHEREAS, Kindergarten curriculum needs to provide the foundation for

successful educational experiences in first grade; therefore, be it

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

councils petition the Missouri General Assembly to require all school districts to provide kindergarten programs, to continue to fund such programs and to mandate attendance in an accredited

kindergarten program.