

RESOLUTION

(Adopted by the 1975 convention delegates)

RIGHTS OF NONSMOKERS

WHEREAS, The pollutions inconsiderate smokers create for nonsmokers are objectionable; and

WHEREAS, Scientific evidence is accumulating throughout the world of the definite health hazard cigarette smoke creates; and

WHEREAS, The immediate and lingering odor of cigarette smoke is distasteful and irritating to the eyes; and

WHEREAS, The deadly substances including carbon monoxide found in cigarette smoke are harmful and can worsen respiratory allergies, increase heart disease and lung disease and contribute to complications in pregnancies; and

WHEREAS, Researchers have found that twice as much tar and nicotine are found in the "side-stream smoke" (that's inhaled by a smoker); and

WHEREAS, Restaurants, buses, trains, working areas and all public places can be unbearable for nonsmokers in the presence of smokers; and

WHEREAS, A recent study conducted by the Environmental Protection Agency has found that carbon monoxide has so saturated America's blood that nearly half of nonsmokers have more of it in their systems than federal safety standards would allow; therefore be it

Resolved, That PTA encourage the enforcement of non-smokers rights; be it further

Resolved, That the Colorado Congress of Parents & Teachers is in opposition to tobacco subsidizing which helps increase disability and death among Americans; and be it further

Resolved, That the Colorado Congress of Parents & Teachers continues to educate parents and youth concerning the hazards of those exposed to cigarette smoke and help improve the health and safety of millions of nonsmokers.