RESOLUTION
(Adopted by the 1992 convention delegates)

GAMBLING AND GAMING ESTABLISHMENTS

WHEREAS, The third object of PTA is to secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth; and

WHEREAS, The towns of Central City, Blackhawk, and Cripple Creek have legalized a gambling industry without securing minimum standards for the priority of gambling establishments to areas frequented by minors; and

WHEREAS, Other cities and towns in Colorado are considering legalizing gambling as a tourist attraction and/or revenue source; and

WHEREAS, The members of Colorado PTA believe that the activity of gambling presents the false impression to children and youth that there is a high rate of return from money spent on gambling activities and large profits result from little effort; and

WHEREAS, The children and youth of Colorado deserve to be protected from the adult-oriented activity of gambling, and the adult-oriented activities usually associated with gambling establishments; and

WHEREAS, The Colorado PTA legislative Platform (1992-93) includes opposition to the use of gambling funds for education and welfare; be it therefore

Resolved. That the Colorado PTA encourage state legislators to enact legislation to create gambling-free zones around all areas frequented by children such as schools, playgrounds, day care centers and churches; and be it further

Resolved. That the Colorado PTA encourage state legislators to enact legislation to disallow gambling establishments from applying for a location within 1500 feet of all such areas frequented by children; and be it further

Resolved. That the Colorado PTA discourage state legislators from enacting legislation that would create a dependency of any educational program on the state share of gambling revenues.