RESOLUTION

(Adopted by the 1986 convention delegates)

TAX INCREASE

WHEREAS, The tax system and the revenue base of the State of Colorado is no longer adequate to finance government services; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Colorado look to the State to maintain a transportation network, build new prisons, fight air pollution, improve the quality of education, build new water storage facilities, and maintain public buildings; and

WHEREAS, The State of Colorado ranks forty-first out of fifty states in state taxes and sixth out of fifty states in local taxes; and

WHEREAS, The citizens of Colorado understand their obligation and are committed to support the revenue foundation of state government through taxes; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Colorado PTA support the legislation needed to implement changes in the State School Finance Act as recommended by the Coalition to Improve School Finance; and be it further

Resolved, That the Colorado State Legislature take steps to rebuild that revenue foundation by reinstating or raising taxes; and be it further

Resolved, That the Colorado PTA, its Councils and local unit members urge the Colorado State Legislature to reject measures that would result in increased property taxes.

Amended 1987 by striking "and......1986); and inserting the words "providing a rational distribution of funds to ensure greater equity and excellence in Colorado's public schools;"