

## 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.