

1 **EDUCATION OF HOMELESS CHILDREN/FAMILIES**
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4 WHEREAS, The PTA is concerned about the welfare of families and children; and
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6 WHEREAS, A disproportionate number of homeless are families and their
7 children; and
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9 WHEREAS, Homeless families and their children are the fastest growing segment
10 of the homeless population; and
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12 WHEREAS, Education is an important stabilizing factor, yet a significant number
13 of homeless children are denied an education; and
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15 WHEREAS, Homeless children and their parents are put in severe emotional
16 stress due to their environment and lack of financial stability;
17 therefore be it
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19 RESOLVED, That the Tennessee Congress of Parents and Teachers, its units and
20 councils, promote the schooling of homeless children and their
21 parents within shelters; and be it further
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23 RESOLVED, That the Tennessee Congress of Parents and Teachers urge
24 homeless shelters to offer counseling programs to enhance
25 education for homeless children and their families, and be it further
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27 RESOLVED, That the Tennessee Congress of Parents and Teachers urge
28 governmental agencies to fund educational programs within shelters
29 for homeless children and their families.
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33 Adopted by the 1993 Convention Delegates

34 Reaffirmed by the 1998 Convention Delegates

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36 Reaffirmed by the Board of Managers - April, 2003