BICYCLE SAFETY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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WHEREAS, The increased popularity and use of the bicycle has caused an upsurge in the number of bicycle-related injuries and fatalities; and

WHEREAS, Research has established a pressing need for the education and training of the bicyclist; and

WHEREAS, The National PTA in its Statement of Principles (Safety item) states: "We believe that all children and youth should have an education that develops safe habits and attitudes and should have an environment free from avoidable physical hazards;" and

WHEREAS, There is no compulsory bicycle safety education and training program, such as driver training programs; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the California State PTA and its local units support state and community action to encourage bicycle safety programs in the elementary schools beginning with a primary program for grades K through 3; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the California State PTA and its local units support state and community action to institute bicycle safety education and training programs in the elementary schools, to begin no later than the third grade.