WHEREAS, One of the Objects of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers is “To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social, and spiritual education;” and

WHEREAS, The medical community, professional educators, and H.E.W.’s National Advisory Committee on Dyslexia and Related Reading Disorders estimate ten percent (10%) to fifteen percent (15%) of the total school population are educationally handicapped; and

WHEREAS, By law, the California State Education Code 6752 limits the enrollment of educationally handicapped students in special educational programs to two percent (2%) of total district enrollment; and

WHEREAS, This limitation severely restricts school districts from serving all educationally handicapped minors; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the California PTA urge state legislators to increase the capacity of special education programs to include all educationally handicapped minors, as defined in the California State Education Code 6750, and to provide adequate state funding to reimburse school districts for the excess costs of such programs.