

**HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT**  
Adopted by Convention Delegates May 7, 1980

- WHEREAS,** PTA principles state that all children and youth should live in an environment free from avoidable physical hazards; and
- WHEREAS,** Current practices of production, transportation, storage and disposal of hazardous wastes endanger the health, safety and well-being of communities as a whole; therefore be it
- RESOLVED,** That the California State PTA urge compliance with current regulations and seek legislation that will:
- A. Require safe transportation, storage and disposal of hazardous wastes;
  - B. Establish an effective program of surveillance and monitoring that insures proper management of hazardous waste;
  - C. Minimize the amount of hazardous waste produced by encouraging more efficient plant operations, re-using materials, and/or trading wastes with other industries; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the California State PTA urge local units, councils and districts to be aware of land use plans and alert members to the possible hazards affecting the health, safety and well-being of communities posed by the production, transportation, storage and disposal of hazardous wastes; and be it further
- RESOLVED,** That the California State PTA forward this resolution to the National PTA for consideration by the delegates at the National convention in June 1980.

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**BACKGROUND SUMMARY**

Current practices of production, transportation, storage and disposal of hazardous waste materials are inadequate for the protection of health in our communities.

This resolution would urge compliance with existing regulations and seek support for legislation that would require safe transportation, disposal and surveillance of hazardous waste materials.