WHEREAS, The California State PTA recognizes that motion pictures exert influence on the American way of life and contribute to the entertainment, cultural enrichment and education of children and youth; and

WHEREAS, Nudity, coarse language and sexual implication are present in PG-rated films available to children; and

WHEREAS, It appears that the present PG (Parental Guidance) rating does not sufficiently designate the contents of PG films; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the California State PTA urge the Classification and Rating Board of the Motion Picture Association of America to provide a more appropriate rating system that will designate the contents of a PG film so that parents will be aware of items that may not be suitable for viewing by their children and youth under seventeen; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the California State PTA urge its units to make the graphic reviews issued by the Reviewing Stand South available to all members of said units.

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BACKGROUND SUMMARY

The PG film rating automatically permits youngsters of any age to be admitted to a theater without the company of a parent or guardian. Reviewing Stand South submitted from its film reviews of the past year a list of 24 PG-rated films which carried the violence, sex, profane or obscene language, cruelty to animals, drugs including alcohol, or nudity notations. The reviews are written as a guide to parents to assist them in the selection of films and TV programs which their children see.