



*Proposed resolutions for consideration at the 115th Annual National PTA Convention<sup>®</sup>, June 9-12, 2011.*

### **Head Injury Reporting**

Whereas,	Approximately 1.4 million Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI) related deaths, hospitalizations, and emergency department visits occur each year in the United States, and
Whereas,	The results of a head injury can include short term effects such as concussions, loss of consciousness, or lethargy, and/or long term effects such as organ damage, coma, or death, and
Whereas,	The full extent of a head injury may not be immediately known and often requires a comprehensive medical evaluation to determine, therefore be it
Resolved,	That PTA and its constituent associations educate its members, and school personnel on the seriousness of head injuries and the need report them to parents and/or guardians for monitoring and further follow up, and be it further
Resolved,	That PTA and its constituent associations work with state and local education agencies to establish, adopt and implement communication procedures to contact parents and/or guardians at the time a head injury to a child occurs in the school setting.

### **Sexting: Legal Consequences**

Whereas,	Surveys show that a significant number of youth (ages 13-17) are engaging in “sexting” (dissemination of sexually explicit photographs over cell phones); and
Whereas,	In most states the act of “sexting” could result in a criminal charge; and
Whereas,	Having a criminal conviction would have lifelong consequences impacting higher education and career opportunities including most careers requiring certification or licensing; e.g., government employment, law enforcement, and teachers; therefore be it
Resolved	That PTA and its constituent associations work with school systems and/or law enforcement authorities to prevent “sexting” by youth through education of students and parents regarding the legal consequences of the act of “sexting.”