SEXTING: LEGAL CONSEQUENCES

Whereas, Surveys show that a significant number of youth are engaging in "sexting" (dissemination of sexually explicit photographs and/or video over electronic media); 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 teaching; 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, parents, and faculty regarding the legal consequences of the act of "sexting."

 Adopted: by the 2011 Convention Delegates