

### FOSTER CARE STANDARDS

- WHEREAS, Some children and youth in Utah are living in situations that are unsafe, unhealthy or abusive; and
- WHEREAS, Some youth in Utah need to be removed from their homes and placed in temporary and quality foster care for their safety and well being; and
- WHEREAS, There is a critical need for more foster care providers in Utah; and
- WHEREAS, In 1995, Utah PTA accepted the Governor's challenge to identify prospective foster care providers; and
- WHEREAS, Standards have been established and written out by the Division of Child and Family Services in regard to criteria for acceptance as foster care providers; now, therefore, be it
- Resolved, That Utah PTA continue to work with the Division of Child and Family services to ensure that standards are not lowered in order to generate a greater number of approved foster care providers; and be it further
- Resolved, That Utah PTA and its constituent bodies continue to encourage PTA members to serve as foster care providers; and be it further
- Resolved, That Utah PTA and its constituent bodies, continue to lobby for funding to provide quality foster care homes and services.