Regulation of Powdered Substances for Human Consumption

Whereas, Ohio PTA is dedicated to the health, welfare, and safety of children and youth; and

Whereas, when used in quantities that exceed the recommended dose, both natural and chemical powdered substances have the potential to cause harm or even death to children and youth due to the high concentration of their active ingredient; and

Whereas, children and youth may be unfamiliar with how highly concentrated and potent these powdered substances are due to inadequate labels warning of the consequences of exceeding the amounts safe for human consumption, and the lack of information on powdered substances in substance abuse and health education programs; and

Whereas, powdered substances are often sold in small packages and can be mixed into liquids, sprinkled onto food, and even snorted which increases the risk for abuse, binge consumption, and concealment from parents and other authorities. Therefore be it

Resolved, that Ohio PTA and its units and councils urge the State of Ohio to research the risks versus benefits to public health of powdered substances for human consumption such as but not limited to alcohol and caffeine and then develop regulations limiting their sale and access to youth and children; and be it further

Resolved, that Ohio PTA through its units and councils will encourage school districts to include powdered substance information in their substance abuse and
drug awareness education curriculums; and be it further

Resolved, that Ohio PTA and its units and councils will work to increase parent awareness of the dangers of powdered substances.