

**MISSOURI ASSOCIATION FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

**RESOLUTION**

**MAINTENANCE OF SUPPORT OF CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, career and technical education plays an integral role in the academic and technical development of Missouri's public and charter school students, and

**WHEREAS**, cooperation between the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), local educators, and higher education is vital to student success in advancing career and technical education through integrating technical skill training and academics, and

**WHEREAS**, career and technical student organizations (CTSOs) positively impact the academic, social, and professional development of career and technical education students and educators and are an integrated component of the curriculum.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education requests the assurance of expenditures of Carl Perkins Funding according to the intention of the federal legislators and for the specific use of the career and technical education department according to the established specifications of this federal grant, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education requests the continued maintenance of effort from state-appropriated general revenue funds to be used to continue the support of programs and maintain support of local programs through DESE representation in professional development activities for career and technical education, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Missouri Association for Career and Technical Education requests the assurance of DESE staffing in the continued support in managing CTSOs as appropriate to the federal Perkins legislation.