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Protection of the Children from Violent Video Games

WHEREAS: The video game industry has a direct influence on

children; and

WHEREAS: Video games use increasingly disturbing images of

violence, including decapitation, mutilation, acts of terrorism, and displays of massive amounts of blood

and gore; and

WHEREAS: Children are becoming addicted to violent video

games and wasting many hours each day on this

potentially harmful activity; and

WHEREAS: Children are prone to the bullying and aggressive

behavior from video games and bring this behavior

to school with them; and

BE IT

RESOLVED: Violent video games, like gambling and other

potentially harmful activities, are not a form of free speech protected by the First Amendment of the

U.S. Constitution, and

The Colorado State Board of Education submits that Colorado should indicate its support for the amicus

brief filed by eleven other states with the U.S.

Supreme Court in *Schwarzenegger v. Entertainment Merchants Association* (No. 08-1448) in defense of the authority of States to pass laws to help parents safeguard children against exploitation by the violent

video game industry.

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