

**RESOLUTION OF THE
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES
10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE FAMILY**

WHEREAS, the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) is a professional organization focused on the family; and

WHEREAS, AAFCS holds membership in the International Federation for Home Economics (IFHE) and has Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) status with the United Nations, and

WHEREAS, the United Nations International Year of the Family focused world attention on international problems confronting families and individuals and developed an awareness of the importance of the family as the basic unit of society; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences 1) endorse and support the recommendation to the United Nations General Assembly that a 10th Anniversary Commemoration of the International Year of the Family be declared by the United Nations for the year 2004; 2) promote the United Nations 10th Anniversary of the International year of the Family and observances appropriate for the Association; 3) participate as appropriate in the IFHE-sponsored 10th Anniversary of the International Year of the Family through activities in its divisions and sections, and in cooperation with other organizations such as IFHE-US; 4) develop and promote observances for the Year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that for the designated Anniversary Year, the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences:

Consider a theme for the Annual Meeting reflecting the 10th Anniversary of the United Nations International Year of the Family,

Center its Program of Work to further build on the work done in 1994 in strengthening families worldwide,

Urge Association Divisions and Sections to focus on the international dimensions of their respective subject matter and professional program efforts, and

Urge State Associations to incorporate the 10th Anniversary of the United Nations International Year of the Family observances in their programs of work and Annual Meetings.