

Society for Nutrition Education

List of Resolutions Passed by the Membership: 1970-1992

Passed in 1970

In Support of the 1969 White House Conference on Food, Nutrition and Health : Resolved that the Society supports, with the strongest possible emphasis and enthusiasm, the motives and the intent of the recent White House Conference on Food, Nutrition, and Health, as outlined in its final report. More specifically, we ask that members of federal, state, and local governments, private groups, industry, and of volunteer agencies provide their active support of all procedures aimed at carrying out the recommendations of the Conference, including those concerned with coordination of nutrition programs at all levels of government; with surveillance and evaluation of the state of nutrition of the American people; with establishment of nutrition guidelines for vulnerable groups including those for whom the government has special responsibility; with the provision of food as it affects the consumer; with improving nutrition teaching and nutrition education; with food delivery and distribution systems; and with those recommendations concerned with voluntary action by all segments of society.

Commending Food Industry for 1970 Nutrition Awareness Campaign: Resolved that SNE commends the food industry of America for the Nutrition Awareness campaign and lends its support in every way possible and, further, the Society expresses its hope that the food industry will continue in every way possible to actively support nutrition education programs aimed at improving the nutritional status of the American people.

Passed in 1971

Regarding Obligations of Individual Members of SNE : Resolved that individual nutritionists should make their feelings known as their professional conscience guides them, and express their feelings about issues, in written form, to focus attention and to correct misinformation.

Meals Eaten Away From Home : Resolved that SNE supports efforts by the food service industry to supply foods that significantly contribute to the total nutrient intake of the population they serve. The Society will make this recommendation known to the National Restaurant Association, Institutions Magazine, and other similar agencies, organizations, industries, and publications.

In Support of Child Feeding Programs : Resolved that SNE supports a) Funding of child nutrition programs; and b) Liaison between child feeding programs and educational programs at federal, state, and local levels. The Society recommends that HEW take the leadership in involving all appropriate bodies to initiate such a review and to provide guidelines for nutrition education.

Supporting the Elimination of the Use of the Term MDR : Resolved that SNE go on record endorsing the present actions of the FDA to eliminate the use of the term "Minimum Daily Requirement" (MDR), and use the RDA in all labeling.

Regarding Nutrition Education of the Medical Student : Resolved that SNE establish a committee to work with the AMA and other influential groups to consider changes in the medical school curriculum that would improve nutrition training for medical students.

Regarding Members' Use of Mass Media : Resolved that members should make more extensive use of mass media, including that in a coordinated effort each of us individually should contact upon return home a key person in our community's mass media to report this meeting and its sessions, with some specific instances of the personalities and events involved.

Attracting New Members to SNE : Resolved that the means of recruitment of new SNE members and making such membership more attractive to persons in basic nutrition, nutrition research, food industry, government agencies, etc., be explored.

Public Statements by SNE on Nutrition Issues, Establishment of a Legislative Committee : Resolved a) To establish a group within SNE to make public statements on current nutrition issues, and b) To establish a legislative committee within SNE to recommend legislation in the nutrition fields.

Passed in 1972

Nutrition in Medical Education : Resolved that SNE work for improvement in nutrition in all medical school curricula, and seek the active support and participation of all associations and agencies, medical schools, medical education journals, and others involved in medical education planning, development, and accreditation to meet this goal.

Nutritionist for Senate Select Committee : Resolved that SNE through its president advise the Chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs of the need and benefits of having a public health nutritionist or any other nutritionist as a permanent staff member serving the Committee.

Passed in 1973

Nutrition Education in Food Programs : Resolved that the members of SNE hereby encourage legislators and agencies of the federal government to build sufficient funds into budgets to cover nutrition education as a part of food programs such as Food Stamps, including adequate overhead funds to cover the salaries of competently trained professionals sufficient in number to effectively impart accompanying nutrition education.

Increase Food Stamp Allotment : Resolved that SNE recommends that the food stamp allotment be increased to the Low Cost Food Plan, with adequate increase made for the anticipated cost of food during the fiscal period covered.

Vending Machines in Public Buildings : Resolved that SNE recommends to the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) that wherever food and beverages are vended on property under GSA jurisdiction, at least half the products sold be such relatively nutritious foods as fruits, milk, eggs, vegetables, nuts and seeds, whole wheat snacks and breads, and sandwiches.

Nutritional Quality of Foods for the Elderly : Resolved that SNE establish a committee to evaluate the nutritional adequacy of the food provided under the federally subsidized programs for the elderly.

Passed in 1974

Support Passage of S. 3864, National Nutrition Education Act : Resolved that SNE strongly support and encourage, through its publications and influence, the passage of S. 3864, the "National Nutrition Education Act of 1974."

Urge FTC to Publish Proposed Food Advertising Regulations : Resolved that SNE strongly urges the Federal Trade Commissioners to publish for public comment, by the end of 1974 at the very latest, proposed regulations on food advertising which will a) require the disclosure in advertising of certain material nutrition information and b) regulate the making of nutrition claims.

Support FTC Action Eliminating Premium Offers from Children's TV Ads : Resolved that SNE supports the proposal of Chairman Lewis Engman of the FTC to the effect that premium offers be eliminated from television advertisements directed at children.

Applaud FTC Action to Investigate Antitrust Activities in Food Field : Resolved that SNE applauds the FTC for investigating possible anti-trust violation in the food field and recommends vigorous prosecution if warranted.

Nutrition Education to Acknowledge World Food Scarcity : Resolved that SNE urge that nutrition be taught in the United States in a manner that reflects an awareness of world food scarcity and that a major effort in nutrition education

be devoted to helping the American people to modify their own food consumption habits to bring them into conjunction with world need.

Formation of Task Force to Determine Optimal Ranges of Nutrient Intake : Resolved: a) . . . that SNE establish a Task Force with balanced representation of scientists, qualified by training and experience in nutrition, medicine, dentistry, and public health; and b) . . . that this Task Force will make an objective study and assessment of the optimal dietary ranges of macro- and micro- nutrients with special effort to identify levels of intake that produce undesirable health effects; and c) . . . this report will be the basis for drawing up guidelines for public and classroom nutrition education and for action policies of this Society.

Encourage Breast Feeding : Resolved that SNE recommends that: the federal government, hospitals, nutritionists, obstetricians, medical and nursing schools, pediatricians, and state and local health departments provide every pregnant woman with objective information describing the relative merits of breast feeding and bottle feeding and urge new mothers to consider breast feeding their infants; and promote legislative and administrative measures which will make it easier for employed women who are new mothers to breast feed their infants.

Emphasizing Vegetable Foods in the U.S. Diet : Resolved that SNE recommends that Americans base a large part of their diet on vegetable foods, especially whole grain foods and legumes.

Passed in 1975

Support National Nutrition Education Act of 1975 : Resolved that SNE strongly support and encourage through its publications and influence, the passage of S. 1945 and H.R. 8584 (the 1975 legislation of the National Nutrition Education Act), and that the Society encourage allied organizations which share the goal of improving nutrition to join in very active support of this legislation.

Support the National School Lunch Act and Child Nutrition Act of 1966, Amendments of 1975 : Resolved that SNE take immediate action to strongly support and encourage the passage of H.R. 4222 through all appropriate legislative channels; and that the Society encourage allied organizations which share the goal of improving nutrition to join in active support of this legislation.

Formation of special interest divisions within SNE : Resolved that the Board of Directors of SNE identify areas of special interest as expressed by members and appoint leadership to organize such divisions.

Passed in 1976

Support of National Nutrition Education Act : Resolved that SNE will urge its membership, by means of letter, petition, telephone, and telegram, to bring to the attention of the aforementioned Committee, the Society's wish to have hearings on S. 1945 scheduled at the earliest possible date.

Encourage Breast Feeding : Resolved that SNE's 1984 breast feeding resolution be disseminated to all state coordinators of Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) and Maternal and Infant Care (MIC) Projects and to the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Hearings on Infant Feeding Practices : Resolved that SNE urge the Senate Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs to hold hearing on the forces that mold infant feeding practices.

Smoking at the Annual Meeting : Resolved that SNE adopt a policy of requesting that the guests and members of SNE refrain from smoking in the meeting rooms during the Annual Meeting.

Liaison with Action for Children's Television : Resolved that the Board of Directors establish liaison with Action for Children's Television to work toward the attainment of mutual goals.

Qualifications for the Title of Professional Nutritionist : Resolved that SNE develop a working definition of "nutritionist," establish criteria for use of the title, and coordinate with other nutrition societies to develop this definition. A committee shall be designated by SNE to develop and carry out this resolution.

Interaction Between SNE and Hotel/Restaurant Profession : Resolved that attempts be made by SNE to initiate a dialogue with the National Restaurant Association and related organizations to facilitate improvements in this aspect of hotel and restaurant food service.

Passed in 1977

Adoption of National Nutrition Goals : Resolved that SNE adopt and endorse the Dietary Goals for the United States recommended by the Senate Select Committee and seek to inform the public regarding the desirability of changing dietary patterns in accordance with the Committee's recommendations.

Regulation of TV Advertising of Sugared Snacks to Children : Resolved that SNE urge the Federal Trade Commission to promptly approve and implement the ban on advertising sugared snacks and candy on children's programming.

Placement of Nutritious Foods in School Vending Machines : Resolved that SNE endorse that children be given an opportunity to practice good nutrition by ensuring that a majority of products in any school vending machine be nutritious.

Nutrition Education Specialist in School Systems, K-12 : Resolved that SNE adopt the SNE position paper "Nutrition Education Specialist in School Systems, K-12: A Position Paper on Functions and Qualifications" as its official position. (This position paper is published in JNE Vol. 10, No. 1, Jan-March, 1978.)

Passed in 1978

Organizational Structure for Affiliates : Resolved that the Board of Directors of SNE make bylaws changes that will establish a Council of Affiliates and an Affiliates' Administrative Committee (to replace the present Committee on Affiliated Organizations) in accordance with the recommendations of the Task Force on Affiliated Organizations.

Discontinuance of Fortified Grain-Fruit Products in the School Breakfast Program : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education supports the USDA's proposal to discontinue use of fortified grain-fruit products.

Development of New Food Guide : Resolved that SNE urges the USDA to develop a new food guide and appoint a committee to work with the USDA on this matter in order to provide nutrition educators with a more reliable and effective teaching tool.

Disclosure of Sodium Content of Foods : Resolved that SNE urges the Food and Drug Administration to set standards for high sodium content of packaged foods and to require disclosure of all sodium in foods containing more than one ingredient and additionally to require graphic labeling of sodium content on the front label of high sodium foods.

Passed in 1979

To Urge NIH Education Campaign on Dietary Risk Factors for Cardiovascular Disease : Resolved that SNE urges the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute to mount a nationwide campaign to inform Americans of the presently recognized relationship between saturated fat, cholesterol, sodium, obesity, and the risk of cardiovascular diseases.

Use of SNE Endorsement Statement in Relation to Foods High in Saturated Fat and Cholesterol : Resolved that to qualify for the endorsement of this Society ("This material has been reviewed and is considered by the Society for Nutrition Education to be scientifically sound . . ."), educational materials must discuss the relationship

between saturated fat, dietary cholesterol, and coronary heart disease if meat, dairy products, eggs, and other foods which may be high in saturated fat and cholesterol are discussed.

Ballots for SNE Officers Listing Affiliations and Responses: Resolved that the ballots for the Society of Nutrition Education should list: a) candidates' affiliations during the last two years, including grants, directors' fees, and consulting fees; and b) candidates' answers to questions posed by the Society about important current matters of nutrition.

Develop Definitions for Nutrition and Other Terms : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education develop and /or publicize available, simple, and understandable definitions for nutrition, nutrition education, nutrients, and junk food.

Urge Reauthorization and Funding for the NET Program : Resolved that SNE strongly urges the Congress of the United States to reauthorize the nutrition education program conducted under Section 19 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 (as added by Section 15 of P.L. 95-166) and to appropriate monies for this program at a level at least equal to funds available in FY '79 with an increase sufficient to offset the impact of inflation.

Commend Senator McGovern on Term ``Junk Diet" : Resolved that SNE commends Senator George McGovern for his statement on February 23, 1979, ``I really think that probably we ought to drop this term `junk food' and start talking about `junk diets'."

Penn State Nutrition Concepts and Committee to Critique These and Other Concepts : Resolved that SNE recognizes the Nutrition Concepts for a Comprehensive Curriculum study at the Pennsylvania State University as validated by nutrition educators; the Society will make these concepts available to all nutrition educators and interested persons; the Society will appoint a committee to critique this and other sets of concepts and identify areas that need expansion. This committee will report its findings to the Annual Meeting of the Society in July, 1980, and will recommend that the Society endorse either: a) a single comprehensive set of concepts, or 2) several sets of comprehensive concepts.

Vegetable Protein Foods in School Lunch : Resolved that SNE urges that the USDA initiate pilot projects to explore the feasibility of modifying the Type A lunch pattern to allow for the use of complementary plant and animal protein sources to meet the protein requirement in school meals.

Passed in 1980

Development of Public Policy : Resolved that on a three-year trial basis: a) The ``From SNE" column in the January-March Journal of Nutrition Education present an overview of public policy issues; b) members be polled by mail regarding priorities on public policy issues (This ballot will be prepared by the Legislative Network and mailed with the ballot for election of officers.); c) Results be presented to the SNE Board for review at the annual meeting and be published in the fall Communicator ; and d) Results be forwarded to the Public Policy Advisory Council and the Legislative Committee the month following the annual meeting for use as the basis for SNE public policy for the year.

Support of Nutrition Education and Training Program : Resolved that SNE should indicate program support to government officials by recommending: a) That the program be given permanent authorization; b) That states be provided with a minimum of 50 cents per child with an inflation factor added per child.

Encouragement of USDA Production and Distribution of Popular Nutrition Education Publications : Resolved that SNE support and encourage the USDA to continue to produce and distribute dietary guidance and food and nutrition information materials designed to assist the general public or segments of the general public to consume more healthful diets.

Development of a New Food Plan for the Food Stamp Program : Resolved that SNE urge the secretary of the USDA and the appropriate committees and individuals in the U.S. Congress to develop and implement within one year an alternative food plan that is more adequate than the Thrifty Food Plan. This new plan should: a) Meet 100 of the Recommended Dietary Allowances; b) Match as closely as possible the food patterns of individuals at these income

levels; c) Allow food stamp households, if they wish, to follow the U.S. Dietary Guidelines; and d) Take into account a realistic amount of food waste and thus ensure sufficient resources for a nutritionally adequate diet.

Endorsement of the USDA/HHS "Dietary Guidelines" : Resolved that SNE endorse the USDA/HHS Publication Nutrition and Your Health: Dietary Guidelines for Americans and recommend continued widespread distribution so that consumers may follow this dietary advice.

Encouragement of All Types of Nutrition Education Exhibits at SNE Annual Meetings : Resolved that SNE develop an exhibits policy which encourages a wide variety of exhibits for annual meetings, restricts entry only by the criterion of the exhibit's potential interest to nutrition educators, and does not make other value judgments based on the nature of the exhibitor's products or accuracy of their contents.

Encouragement of Advertising in JNE : Resolved that the membership of SNE urge the Journal Policy Advisory Council to develop an advertising policy which effectively permits the advertising of any product, edible or otherwise, in the Journal of Nutrition Education

Prohibition of Food Advertising in JNE : Resolved that the membership of SNE urge the Journal Policy Advisory Council to establish an advertising policy which would prohibit the advertising of consumable products in the Journal of Nutrition Education .

Clarification of Areas of Agreement Between Toward Healthful Diets and Dietary Guidelines for Americans : Resolved that SNE a) Endorse the areas of agreement cited above in the two reports; b) Encourage efforts to convey to the public information regarding these areas of agreement; and c) Clarify for the public that the only major disagreement between these reports is on the implications of the facts about dietary fat and cholesterol for the American public.

Passed in 1981

Regarding Energy and Food : Resolved that SNE supports: a) The development of federal guidelines which would encourage local governmental bodies to find ways to promote increased production and use of local fruits and vegetables, especially around urban areas; b) The development of farmer and consumer cooperatives, farmers' markets, and buying clubs, and; c) Increased education of professionals and the public on the economic and other benefits of a more regional, seasonal diet.

Regarding Farmland Loss : Resolved that the SNE membership encourages the development of federal land-use policy guidelines which will help local governments find ways of stemming the current of loss prime farmland in their regions to non food-producing purposes.

Regarding Re-localized Diets : Resolved that the members of SNE begin to investigate and share information (through workshops, meetings, printed materials, etc.) regarding what would be appropriate models of regional diets based heavily on local, seasonal foods—diets which would provide excellent nutrition, variety, palatability, economy, and freedom of choice within sets of guidelines which would attempt to minimize dependence on foods exotic to the regions.

Public Advocates' Petition to Promote Breast feeding and to Control Formula Abuse : Resolved that the Public Policy Advisory Committee of SNE review the Public Advocates' petition and recommend appropriate action to the Executive Board concerning whether or not SNE supports the petition in part or in whole.

Support of the International Code of Marketing Breast Milk Substitutes : Resolved that the Executive Board of SNE write a letter to all House and Senate members commending them for their vote in favor of criticizing the administration's stand on the International Code of Marketing Breast Milk Substitutes.

Regulation of Competitive Food Sales in Schools : Resolved that SNE a) Urge the Secretary of Agriculture by letter to maintain and enforce the current competitive foods regulations; b) Urge, by letter, that the appropriate committees and

individuals in the U.S. Congress instruct the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain and enforce the current competitive food regulations.

Protecting the Nutritional Integrity of the School Meals Programs: Resolved that SNE urge the Secretary of Agriculture, by letter, to: a) Obtain broad public comment of ways to reduce local program costs; b) Explore and institute other cost-saving measures before making meal pattern changes; and c) Make no meal pattern changes which do not have a sound nutritional basis.

Support for Expansion of and Access to a National, USDA-Funded Food and Nutrition Library : Resolved that SNE request the USDA to increase support and expand access to the Food and Nutrition Information Center, a specialized nutrition library which can provide computerized access to nutrition education resources.

SNE Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nutrition Public Policy Development and Implementation : Resolved that a) SNE establish a non-monetary award for Outstanding Contributions to Nutrition Public Policy Development and Implementation, to be presented at the Annual Meeting to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution in this field; b) That the first award be presented to George McGovern; and c) That a committee be appointed to establish criteria and procedures for selection of future recipients.

Increased Participation of Student Members : Resolved that all student members who have been full-time members for at least one year in the past be entitled to full voting privileges as well as full participation in the Society's activities.

Support for Nutritional Status Monitoring System : Resolved that SNE strongly supports the joint efforts of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health and Human Services to implement a national nutrition monitoring system that would: a) Coordinate and enhance existing programs such as HANES and the National Food Consumption Survey (NFCS) of the USDA; b) Utilize more appropriate indices of nutritional status in certain high risk groups; c) Develop information about personal bases for food choices; and d) Lead to more effective public information systems.

Passed in 1982

Support for Child Nutrition Programs : Resolved that SNE urge the Administration, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the appropriate committees and individuals in the U.S. Congress to support the continuation of the National School Lunch Program and other school food programs as a categorical entitlement program with full federal funding.

Support for WIC Program : Resolved that SNE urge the Administration, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the appropriate committees and individuals in the U.S. Congress to support: a) Continuation of WIC as a categorical program; b) Provision of adequate funding to serve all WIC-eligible women, infants, and children; c) Continuation of the nutrition education component of the WIC Program; and d) Outreach by the WIC Program to WIC-eligible migrants and Native Americans.

Regarding Food Stamp Allotment : Resolved that SNE urge the Administration, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the authorizing and other appropriate committees and individuals in the U.S. Congress to update the food stamp allotment on a more timely basis to reflect the changing cost of purchasing food.

Support for the FTC : Resolved that SNE urge Congress and its oversight and appropriation committees to maintain the broad statutory mandate of the Federal Trade Commission to protect consumers against unfair and deceptive acts and practices and to provide the funding necessary to carry out its consumer protection activities.

Regarding Food Safety : Resolved that the society be prepared to respond, where appropriate, to future food safety policy discourse by developing a definitive public position that: a) reflects our strength as educators; b) supports the continuation of an exemplary congressional record of ensuring a safer food supply by improving our public health and safety laws; and c) recognizes that any change in our national food safety laws will have an effect on our broader food policies.

Regarding Community Nutrition Education : Resolved that SNE establish an Ad Hoc Committee on ways nutrition educators can become more involved in grassroots nutrition-related activities and include in the Journal ideas and suggestions about program implementation (e.g. funding, administration), community-based activity, and grassroots efforts.

Regarding Expanded Involvement re Food Production and Marketing Matters : Resolved that SNE generally continue to expand its activities and interests with respect to food production and marketing matters; and that specifically the society strongly support: a) the efforts to expand community and urban garden programs and land-use planning as it applies to local food production; and b) legislation, research, and programs on agricultural production and marketing methods that build better soils and use land, water, and energy more efficiently.

Support for 1980 WIC Food Package Regulations : Resolved that SNE urge the Department of Agriculture to maintain the improvements made in the WIC food package regulations in 1980.

Regarding Point-of-Sale Nutrition Education : Resolved that SNE form a task force which would help SNE members and their local food purchasing places (supermarkets, co-ops, farmers markets...) set up point-of-sale nutrition information programs appropriate to their communities. Task force members might include persons working for retailers, co-ops, manufacturers, and community nutritionists. The task force should consider development of an annotated bibliography of materials, programs, or evaluation techniques that would help SNE members develop local programs.

Support of the Diet, Nutrition, and Cancer Report by the National Academy of Sciences : Resolved that SNE urge the National Academy of Sciences, National Cancer Institute, U.S. Congress, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and American Cancer Society to disseminate these recommendations to the public in a format that provides specific guidelines about food choices in order to reduce the risk of cancer.

Passed in 1983

In Support of the Human Nutrition Information Service : Resolved that SNE indicate its support for the activities of the Human Nutrition Information Service, and urge Congress and the Administration to allocate funding of at least FY'82 levels to carry out its ongoing activities for fundamental information gathering and disseminating activities by: a) Sending letters concerning this issue at appropriate times to appropriate members of Congress and the Administration; 2) Making this issue a priority in the Public Affairs Program of SNE.

Nutrition as 1984 Campaign Issue : Resolved that a task force of SNE be formed to make nutrition needs a campaign issue in the 1984 elections by: a) Preparing sample letters urging candidates for the Presidency of the United States to address the nutrition needs of Americans in their campaign platforms; b) Writing a sample "letter to the editor" to this effect for SNE members to use in their local newspapers and other media; c) Distributing the sample letters to SNE members no later than March 31, 1984; and d) Encouraging SNE members to make nutrition needs a campaign issue in their local elections.

In Support of the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program : Resolved that SNE indicate its support for EFNEP's efforts to improve the nutritional status of low-income families and urge Congress and the Administration to allocate sufficient funds, at a minimum the FY'83 funding of 60 million dollars, to enable EFNEP to serve its constituents effectively, by: a) Sending letters concerning this issue at appropriate times to appropriate members of Congress and the Administration and b) Making this issue a priority in the Public Affairs Program of SNE.

Calling for Restraints on Alcoholic Beverage Advertising : Resolved that SNE not only work with other groups on this issue, but also select a task force to develop a policy statement and to support legislation incorporating the following: a) Health warnings on alcoholic beverage labeling and advertising, and b) Establishment of guidelines restricting alcoholic beverage advertising.

Passed in 1984

On Six Issues of JNE per Year : Resolved that the Board of SNE find the funds necessary to publish six issues of the Journal of Nutrition Education per year.

SNE Involvement in International Nutrition Education Issues : Resolved that SNE focus more attention on international issues, by: A) Allotting time at every annual SNE meeting to include international nutrition education in plenary session, workshops, and/or other sessions; b) Soliciting papers and inviting presentations on topics related to international nutrition education both for the annual meeting and for publication by JNE ; c) Encouraging the formation of societies and associations related to nutrition education in other countries, by assisting nutrition educators from other countries to participate in SNE activities and by ensuring that SNE is represented at international nutrition meetings such as the International Union of Nutritional Sciences Congresses; and d) Attempting to increase the membership of SNE by encouraging those in the United States involved in international nutrition and nutrition educators from other countries, to join and become active SNE members.

In Support of Physical Exercise and Nutrition Education : Resolved that SNE urge its members to support through advocacy in such organizations as Parent Teachers Associations, local school boards and government and through personal example the goals of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, including daily physical exercise, physical education in schools, nutrition education for an active lifetime of good health, and a continuing emphasis on these areas in our nation's schools, parks and recreation facilities.

On Continued Support for EFNEP : Resolved that SNE continue to support increased funding for EFNEP in FY'86 and communicate this support to Congress and the Administration via hearing testimony and/or letter drafted by PPAC for Board approval.

SNE's Role in Public Policy : Resolved that a task force be appointed by the Board to develop a 5 year plan on ways to expand the Society's influence in legislation and public policy, including the personnel and financial resources needed. The plan would address the feasibility of a full time congressional lobbyist, annual legislative meetings, and regional training sessions to enhance the effectiveness of members in the public policy arena.

Resolution to Build Active Involvement in Food Policy : Resolved that the Society's staff monitor the progress of the food and agriculture proposals (the Farm Bill), work with coalitions to define policy, and keep the membership informed through appropriate channels regarding food issues that have an effect on food availability and dietary choice. Such channels might include the following: a) Information or articles in the SNE Communicator or Journal ; b) A series of 2-page briefing papers developed by the Public Policy Advisory Council of the Society; c) Legislative Updates to be sent to the Society's Legislative Network on the policy issues as Congress develops specific proposals; d) A plenary session debate at the next annual meeting dealing with the policy issues that have an effect on food availability and dietary choice.

In Support of Calorie Labeling of Alcoholic Beverages : Resolved that SNE urges the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms to require calorie labeling on all alcoholic beverages.

On Advertising of Beer and Wine on Radio and Television : Resolved that SNE recommends that beer and wine ads either be banned from radio and television or that the ads be balanced by an equal number of health and other messages about alcohol.

Passed in 1985

Development of Statement of Objectives for SNE : Resolved that SNE's Board of Directors appoint a committee or task force to build on its newly-adopted long-range plan by developing a Statement of Objectives for food and nutrition education within SNE, and initiating process for the development of a comprehensive statement of current and future objectives for the organization, its committees and divisions, with respect to all the activities they encompass-including, but not limited to, organizational development, policy and advocacy, program development and delivery, research, dissemination, and communications.

Calling for Restrictions on Health Claims on Labels and in Advertising : Resolved that SNE urge the FDA to: a) Require prior approval of health claims by a public health task force, and b) Require manufacturers to demonstrate a

consensus in the scientific community concerning diet-disease relationships discussed on labels, and c) Require labels to discuss the presence of any constituents that have a detrimental impact on health, and be it Resolved, the SNE urge the FTC to consider the public health task force's evaluation of the scientific validity of health claims in advertising.

Calling for Mandatory Ingredient Labeling of Fast Foods : Resolved that SNE, its affiliates and its members urge the FDA and USDA to require fast food restaurant chains to disclose ingredients on food wrappings and containers.

Passed in 1986

Change of Date of the SNE Annual Meeting : Resolved that the SNE Annual Meeting be scheduled for the second full week of July or thereafter.

Promotion of Breast Feeding Among Women Employed Outside the Home : Resolved that SNE promote breast feeding among women who are employed outside of the home by: a) Encouraging and supporting national initiatives to accommodate breast feeding women in the workplace, and b) Initiating a campaign to encourage employers to provide conditions and an environment conducive to breast feeding, and c) Developing and promoting informational materials which educate families about how to combine employment with breast feeding.

Promote Involvement of Media in Encouraging Breast feeding: Resolved that SNE promote the involvement of the media in encouraging positive references and portrayals of breast feeding by: a) Urging its members to undertake a letter-writing campaign to network television executives, producers, and actors/actresses encouraging them to refer to breast feeding and to portray breast feeding rather than bottle feeding of infants; b) Considering the distribution of a breast feeding campaign promotional package to its members; c) Monitoring the involvement or lack of involvement of the media in this effort; and d) Informing the membership and the media of the results of this monitoring.

Calling for Nutrition Education Assistance for the Poor : Resolved that SNE reemphasizes its support for increased funding for nutrition education through EFNEP and WIC as well as for food assistance to meet the needs of those in poverty.

Calling for Entitlement to the WIC Program : Resolved that SNE initiate and support policy which entitles eligible participants access to the WIC Program, and that SNE's leadership direct its Public Policy Advisory Council and legislative Network to develop and implement policy strategies including but not limited to drafting legislation, coalition building among other interested groups, position papers and letter writing campaigns as appropriate.

Calling for Sanctions Against South Africa : Resolved that SNE's Board of Directors prepare and issue a statement condemning apartheid and calling for increased economic and political sanctions and other policies by both the public and private sectors against South Africa; that letters to this effect be sent to all members of Congress and to the President of the United States; and that, the legislative committee and other appropriate committees within SNE urge our members to do the same, and suggest that they also direct letters or other actions to their state legislatures and to other institutions with which they may be affiliated.

Passed in 1987

Concerning Licensure of Nutritionists : Resolved that in those states of the United States of America where licensure or entitlement exists or is proposed, the SNE will work in support of efforts to enable all individuals having appropriate training in nutrition (from a college or university accredited by a regional accrediting body recognized by the Council on Post-Secondary Accreditation) to qualify to practice as nutritionists.

Concerning Nutrition Education for Persons With Aids or Infected with the HIV Virus : Resolved that SNE write to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, to the Surgeon General of the United States, to the Secretary of the Department of National Health and Welfare in Canada, and to other relevant government agencies, urging that nutrition education be integrated into AIDS programs.

Passed in 1988

Concerning Licensure Laws: Resolved that SNE considers submission and passage of licensure laws appropriate only after all professional societies that represent professionally trained nutritionists and dietitians have reviewed the proposed legislation and confirmed that the provisions are equitable to its members.

Support for Farmers Market Coupon Programs for WIC and Senior Meals Participants : Resolved that the SNE membership actively support present state efforts to provide coupons to families participating in the WIC program and Senior Meals Program. Members should speak to their state officials, legislators and private advocacy and funding organizations to assure continued and adequate administrative support for this excellent program. In addition, SNE resolves as an organization to voice support of federal legislation, the Farmers Market Nutrition Enhancement Act, a national effort to pilot the Farmers Market Coupon Programs in seven new states.

Support of Increased Recycling of Food-Related Solid Waste : Resolved that SNE shall a) Direct a task force to study the issues involved in the recycling and disposal of food-related solid waste and develop a Society position statement with recommendations; and b) Share this position statement with other appropriate professional and and c) communicate the position statement to elected officials in appropriate congressional committees and legislative assemblies and officials in relevant federal, state, and provincial agencies in the United States and Canada.

In Support of Nutrition as a Part of National Child Care Policy : Resolved that SNE support the inclusion of nutrition policy within childcare legislation. Support activities can include but not be limited to keeping membership informed of the national policy initiative, participating in child care policy coalition activities, and developing a Society position paper outlining objectives for child care nutrition.

Passed in 1989

Concerning the Society for Nutrition Education's Participation in Reauthorization of the Farm Bill : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education work with other organizations to have provisions that strongly link food, nutrition, and health to agriculture included in reauthorization of the farm bill.

Passed in 1990

Resolution to Expand the Mission Statement : Resolved that the Mission Statement of the Society for Nutrition Education be revised as follows: The Society for Nutrition Education is the premiere association linking the fields of food, nutrition, and education. The Society carries out activities designed to enhance the ability of its members to help the public gain access to wholesome and sustainably produced food and to make informed food choices.

Regarding SNE's Responsibility for Reducing and Recycling of Solid Waste : Resolved that SNE shall endeavor to acknowledge its established concern over excessive packaging by: a) reducing unnecessary packaging in its mailings (e.g. correspondence, plastic journal wrap, etc.); b) using recycled products (e.g. for the annual meeting program, communications to membership, etc.); c) demonstrating this commitment and concern at the annual meeting (e.g. by the absence of disposable service ware at meals and nutrition breaks); d) communicating SNE's reduction of solid waste and recycling efforts to its members; and e) implementing 1988's Resolution for Support of Increased Recycling of Food Related Solid Waste.

Concerning the Resolutions Process :

WHEREAS interest of the membership in the resolutions process appears to have diminished with the result that few resolutions are offered at the annual meetings; and

WHEREAS resolutions are one of the few avenues whereby the members of the Society can make their views known to the Board of Directors and other members; and

WHEREAS the process by which resolutions are evaluated, put on the ballot and, if passed, acted on, is not efficiently communicated to the membership or the authors of resolutions, a communication failure

that may be contributing to the loss of interest in this mode of opinion sharing; THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the resolution process be reviewed and revised so as to resolve the concerns listed above. We recommend that this revised procedure include at least: a) a major emphasis on the resolutions process at the annual meetings including a presentation of the resolutions at the business meeting and a straw vote on each of them, the results of which will be conveyed to the membership on the mailed ballot; b) timely communication, if a decision is made to omit any resolution from the mailed ballot, with the sponsors of that resolution so that necessary changes can be made to allow the resolution to be submitted to the membership; c) prompt communication with the sponsors of resolutions that are approved by the membership, outlining the actions taken by the Board to carry out the intent of the resolution.

Resolution on Responsible Consumption : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education will use its Journal and other publications, and its annual meeting, as opportunities to reflect an awareness of the need to encourage a more modest and responsible way of consuming food and other resources.

Resolution of Support for the Harvest of Peace Resolution in the United States Congress : Resolved that the membership of SNE supports the Harvest of Peace Resolution (H.Con. Res. 259 and S. Con. Res. 91), and will communicate its support in the following ways: a) the Committee on Public Policy and the Legislative Representative will advocate through their usual channels, b) a letter will be written to the Majority and Minority leaders of both houses of Congress from the SNE Board of Directors, c) members of the Society are urged to write letters of support to their Congressional Representatives and Senators, and d) the Board of Directors will write a letter of support to Bread for the World to let BFW know that SNE shares the concern for ending hunger and the arms race, and joins BFW's 1990 Offering of Letters in support of the Harvest of Peace Resolution.

Resolution Concerning SNE Support for Continued U.S. and Canadian Economic, Political, and Cultural Sanctions Against the Government of South Africa : Resolved that SNE supports the continuation of economic, political, and cultural sanctions against the government of South Africa until such time as the anti-apartheid movement with South Africa requests the removal of sanctions. Further resolved that a copy of this resolution with accompanying letter be sent by SNE's legislative to the President of the United States and the Prime Minister of Canada, and that individual members of SNE are urged to send this resolution to their own representatives.

Resolution to Support the International Boycott of Salvadoran Coffee : Resolved that SNE will develop a position statement in support of the boycott of coffee from El Salvador; that SNE will inform domestic coffee manufacturers that use Salvadoran coffee of this boycott and urge these companies to stop using such coffee, and that SNE will inform its membership of this policy statement through the JNE , newsletters, or other avenues of communication to members.

Regarding Developing Culturally Sensitive and Relevant Strategy to Impact Nutrition Habits of New and Emerging American Majority : Resolved that SNE, recognizing its professional leadership role and obligation, will establish as one of its goals for the next three years the development of a culturally sensitive and relevant strategy to influence nutrition practices of disadvantaged youth, elderly, and minorities.

Passed in 1991

Resolution in Support of the Horn of Africa Recovery and Food Security Act : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education supports the passage and implementation of the Horn of Africa Recovery and Food Security Act. Further resolved that the President or Board of Directors of SNE, assisted by the Public Policy Director, communicate this support by sending a letter of support for the legislation to the Majority and Minority leaders of both houses of Congress (if the bill has not yet passed), OR sending a letter to President Bush to urge full implementation of the Act (if the bill has passed); that interested SNE members express support in personal letters to their Congressional representatives; and that the President or Board of Directors of SNE send a copy of this resolution to the Executive Director of Bread for the World.

Regarding Annual Meeting Siting and Scheduling—Cost Considerations : Resolved that the Board of Directors and

Executive Director work to ensure that the SNE Annual Meeting planning process continue to place priority on affordability in choosing the dates and sites for future meetings. This may include such options as: a) continuing efforts to offer alternative, lower-cost lodging options; b) meeting over a weekend to make it easier for members to make use of any available air fare discounts for staying over a Saturday night; c) considering university campuses, smaller cities, and other less-traditional settings for the meeting site.

In Support of Universal Health Care Coverage in the United States : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education urges the U.S. Congress and Executive Branch, in cooperation with State Governments, to continue serious efforts to design and implement a fair and equitable form of Universal Health Care Coverage suited to the public health needs of the United States. Further resolved that SNE urges incorporation of specific measures within universal health insurance that within health care settings: a) promote development and maintenance of healthful dietary patterns among patients; b) provide for the use of dietary and lifestyle measures rather than or in conjunction with pharmacologic approaches in the management of diet-related diseases; and c) include financial compensation for individualized counseling for medically prescribed therapeutic diets by a qualified nutritionist or dietitian. Further resolved that the President of SNE, assisted by the Public Policy Director of SNE, communicate the Society's support for movement toward Universal Health Coverage by sending a copy of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Chairs of appropriate Congressional Committees or Sub-Committees.

Passed in 1992

Regarding International Representation on the Board of Directors and the Nominating Committee : Resolved that 1) SNE consider modifying the geographic boundaries of its regions or otherwise designing a procedure to ensure that SNE members from outside the U.S. and Canada are explicitly eligible to be nominated for board and nominating committee positions. As one possible example, the Pacific Rim countries (Japan, Philippines, Pacific Islands), China, Thailand and Australia could be included with the WEST; Mexico and Central/South America with the CENTRAL region; the Caribbean countries and Africa with the SOUTH; and Europe and the Middle East with the NORTHEAST; 2) the board of directors will develop guidelines to ensure that costs to SNE for candidates from outside the U.S. and Canada not exceed the range of costs for candidates within the U.S. and Canada.

Regarding the Resolutions Process : Resolved that the resolutions hearing be scheduled no earlier than the third day of the meeting and that the bylaws be revised so that resolutions to be considered at the annual meeting will be received until up to four hours prior to the resolution hearing so long as the proposers of the resolution will provide at least twenty-five copies of their resolution for distribution to the membership at the hearing. And, further resolved that if there is any reason why a resolution offered at a meeting will not appear on the ballot, the sponsors will be contacted immediately and given an opportunity to make necessary changes in time for the resolution to appear on the ballot; and if the SNE board of directors continues to have reservations about the appropriateness or affordability of any resolution, a statement explaining these reservations can be included on the ballot. And, further resolved that a report on plans for action on member-approved resolutions should appear on the President's page of the Journal of Nutrition Education in the first issue following the vote on the resolution.

Regarding Cooperative Relationships Between SNE and the Food Industry : Resolved that the membership of SNE supports the Society entering into partnerships with food companies, but urges that the Society's name not be publicly associated with either the company involved or its products, unless such a specific association has been carefully evaluated by the membership, through some mechanism yet to be determined by the ad hoc committee on partnership policy, and judged to be in the best interests of both the Society and the public, whose education is its mandate.

Resolution to Allow Divisions to Raise and Retain Funds : Resolved that the Society for Nutrition Education consider changing the policy and procedures to: 1) allow and encourage divisions to generate funds for their programs and activities, so long as such efforts do not compete or conflict with SNE's overall fundraising efforts or its policies; 2) provide that SNE centrally coordinate division fund raising and expenditures, and retain a portion of such funds to finance the coordination effort; and 3) allow divisions to retain some percentage (for example, 60) of funds left over from specific projects or activities, to be used to plan and pay for future initiatives of that division.

Resolution on Partnerships : Resolved that SNE should seek, encourage, develop and participate in responsible partnerships on issues and programs of mutual benefit.