

THE ARIZONA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION



PROPOSED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS:

the Arizona Public Health Association believes that nuclear war is

presently the greatest threat to public health; and,

WHEREAS:

escalation or continuing development and production of nuclear

weapons increases the potential for nuclear war; and,

WHEREAS:

there are already over 50,000 nuclear warheads in the world, of which 30,000 belong to the United States of America, a quantity sufficient

to destroy any country at least twenty times; and,

WHEREAS:

there is abundant evidence that it is not possible for nuclear war to be "limited" geographically, "won," or meaningfully survived; and,

WHEREAS:

nuclear weapons production is an enormous drain on our economy which already has difficulty supporting basic public health needs with recent government cutbacks in health programs;

THEREFORE:

the Arizona Public Health Association resolves to:

- Oppose the development and deployment of nuclear weapons by the United States and all other countries:
- Support an immediate and multi-lateral nuclear arms freeze and encourage our government to initiate multi-lateral negotiations to limit and furthermore reduce nuclear armament throughout the world; and,
- 3. Notify the public through the media of this position.

APPROVED: Secretary 9/29/83

49 ayes
16 nays
approved 9/29/83