A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION’S EFFORTS TO PLACE SYNTHETIC CATHINONES, CONTAINED IN PRODUCTS MARKETED AS “BATH SALTS”, INTO SCHEDULE I OF THE US CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT.

WHEREAS, new recreational designer drugs, often marketed as “bath salts” have been sold as legal alternatives to certain stimulant controlled substances, primarily cathinone derivatives and substances in the phenethylamine class of compounds;

WHEREAS, at least seven chemicals have been identified to date that have appeared in these products; including MDPV, mephedrone, methcathinone, methylone, flephedrone, 3-FMC & MBPB;

WHEREAS, these products produce physiological effects similar to stimulant controlled substances;

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in emergency room admissions and calls to poison control centers because of adverse events and deaths, associated with these products;

WHEREAS, the products are readily available at retail locations such as shops specializing in drug paraphernalia, convenience stores, gas stations, truck stops and through the internet;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Association of State Controlled Substance Authorities encourages the Drug Enforcement Administration to place substances contained in products marketed as “bath salts” into Schedule I of the US Controlled Substances; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that states should place controls on compounds identified in these designer recreational drugs using language that encompasses certain chemical classes of drugs and potential modifications to those drugs.

ATTEST: ___________________ Date: October 21, 2011

President