

TOPIC: IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION AND REGULATION OF TOYS AND OTHER PRODUCTS CONTAINING LEAD

SUBMITTED BY: Georgia Association of Nursing Students

WHEREAS, “pediatric lead poisoning remains an important preventable public health problem” in the United States (U.S.); and

WHEREAS, lead paint on toys has been banned in the U.S. since 1977; and

WHEREAS, this ban does not extend to other lead-tainted products marketed to children; and

WHEREAS, lead-based paint is often used as a cost-saving tactic; and

WHEREAS, the Consumer Product Safety Commission does not have the resources for adequate inspection of imported toys or enforcement of existing rules; and

WHEREAS, current legislation would regulate companies to make it more difficult to produce dangerous products; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the National Student Nurses’ Association (NSNA) encourage its constituents to support current laws that prohibit the importation of toys and other products containing lead; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA encourage its constituents to support legislation that will increase the resources allotted to enforcing the current regulations; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA publish an article on this topic in *Imprint* magazine, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA encourage its constituents to participate in community programs geared towards education and awareness about this issue; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the NSNA send a copy of this resolution to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, the American Nurses Association, the National League for Nursing, the American Hospital Association, the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing, the American Public Health Association, and any others deemed appropriate by the NSNA Board of Directors.