

# SMOKE FREE KENTUCKY COALITION

## A SMOKE FREE KENTUCKY WORKS FOR EVERYONE

WHEREAS, Secondhand smoke contains more than 250 chemicals, gases, and poisons known to be toxic or cause cancer, stroke, heart disease, sudden infant death syndrome, respiratory ailments and inner ear infections in children; and,

WHEREAS, Secondhand smoke has been classified as a Group A carcinogen by the EPA; and,

WHEREAS, Workers exposed to secondhand smoke are 20-30 percent more likely to develop cancer; and,

WHEREAS, It is estimated that one non-smoker dies from exposure to secondhand smoke for every eight smokers who die from their tobacco use; and,

WHEREAS, Ordinances prohibiting indoor smoking are highly effective in reducing exposure to secondhand smoke, reducing consumption of cigarettes, and reducing youth smoking; and,

WHEREAS, Ordinances prohibiting indoor smoking in thousands of communities across the country have been shown to have no negative economic effect.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the undersigned organization endorses the initiative to:

- Pass a non-preemptive statewide comprehensive smoke free law prohibiting smoking inside all worksites, including bars and restaurants, for the protection of public health.
- Promote and maintain the momentum for local comprehensive smoke free workplace campaigns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the undersigned organization will:

- Inform its members and, whenever possible, the general public of its endorsement of this Resolution; and,
- Allow SMOKEFREE KENTUCKY to forward a copy of this resolution to government officials.

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_ # Employees/Members \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

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Authorized Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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