CFM Supports Stopping the Spread of Invasive Species

WHEREAS, all invasive species threaten Missouri’s natural habitats and are a recurring environmental issue in the state;

AND WHEREAS, many of these species are being transported into and out of the state with no regulation;

AND WHEREAS, there is currently no official list defining which invasive species can be highly detrimental to the natural habitat and should consequently not be transported in and out of the state;

AND WHEREAS, other states such as Wisconsin, Minnesota, and California already have such lists in place;

AND WHEREAS, issuing a list of these species and regulating what species cannot be transported in and out of the state would help prevent the further spread of these species and the associated damage they cause;

AND WHEREAS, this would be beneficial to the natural habitats of Missouri;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO, this 27th day of February, 2011 suggests the Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri Department of Agriculture, USDA, and USFWS develop a list of highly detrimental invasive species and prohibit the transportation of these species in and out of the state.

RESOLUTION SUMMARY – Creation of a highly detrimental invasive species list and prohibition of their transportation to help stop the spread of invasive species.