

CFM Supports the Establishment of Recycling Programs at all Missouri Institutions of Higher Education.

1 **WHEREAS**, in 2010 the State of Missouri disposed of an average of 12.5 million tons of solid waste
2 according to calculations based upon 2010 EPA and United States Census data;
3 **AND WHEREAS**, only a third of that was recycled according to EPA national estimations;
4 **AND WHEREAS**, recycling diverts solid waste from landfills, creates opportunities for economic
5 growth, and conserves natural resources;
6 **AND WHEREAS**, the daily operations of college campuses significantly contribute to Missouri's
7 overall waste output;
8 **AND WHEREAS**, college campuses provide a unique opportunity to educate an influential sector of the
9 state's population;
10 **AND WHEREAS**, young adults, who are the future of conservation, make up the majority of Missouri's
11 college population;
12 **AND WHEREAS**, college campuses are ideal locations for the implementation of recycling and other
13 solid waste management programs;
14 **AND WHEREAS**, Missouri's institutions of higher education could benefit from collaboration with the
15 CFM in establishing and maintaining recycling programs;
16 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at
17 the Lodge of Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, MO, this 26th day of February 2012 supports the foundation
18 and continuation of recycling programs and other waste management initiatives that divert waste from
19 landfills, at all of Missouri's institutions of higher learning.