

**Conservation Federation of Missouri
2013 Resolutions**

**Committee: Sportsman's Rights
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Junior Hunter Education Instructor Program

1 **WHEREAS**, Hunter education certification is required in Missouri to purchase a firearms hunting
2 permit; and,
3 **WHEREAS**, Anyone born after 1966 must complete an approved hunter education class; and,
4 **WHEREAS**, The Missouri Department of Conservation has certified volunteers authorized to
5 teach these classes; and,
6 **WHEREAS**, The average age of the present volunteer instructors is 49 years of age and getting
7 older; and,
8 **WHEREAS**, The Missouri Department of Conservation requires volunteers to be over the age of
9 18 to be certified to teach Hunter Education; and,
10 **WHEREAS**, There is no provision in the Missouri Department of Conservation's program for
11 junior instructors under the age of 18 who may be interested in assisting with a hunter education class;
12 and,
13 **WHEREAS**, The Missouri Hunter Education Instructors Association, upon request, has
14 established a junior instructor membership category for volunteers under the age of 18 who are
15 interested in assisting certified instructors with their classroom setup, material handout and other
16 approved activities: now, therefore, be it
17 **RESOLVED**, That the Conservation Federation of Missouri assembled at the Capitol Plaza Hotel,
18 Jefferson City, MO, this 24th day of February, 2013, urges the Missouri Department of Conservation to
19 consider developing a junior instructor program.