The Assembly:

1. WELCOMES the initiative of the Republic of Tunisia aimed at proclaiming 2004 the “International Year for Physical Education and Sports in the Service of Development and Peace”;

2. UNDERSCORES the fact that physical education and sports are two crucial factors in promoting peace and development and facilitating the fight against social inequalities and fostering dialogue and interaction;

3. REAFFIRMS the importance of physical education and sports as factors of physical and mental well-being and social promotion;

4. DECIDES to support the Draft Resolution entitled “International Year for Physical Education and Sports in the Service of Development and Peace: 2004”, which will be submitted for adoption both by the 32nd UNESCO General Assembly (29 September - 17 October 2003) and the 58th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (September - November 2003);

5. REQUESTS all Member States to support this draft Resolution.