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pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on combating child obesity

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on combating child obesity

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas child obesity is becoming an ever more widespread problem in Europe and a greater burden on overall public health spending;
- B. whereas decisive factors for this include an increasingly unhealthy lifestyle and hardships linked to households' socioeconomic context;
- C. whereas data on programmes on nutritional education in schools and families continue to highlight worryingly poor outcomes;
- D. whereas a study has shown that only 48 % of parents are sufficiently well aware of what constitutes balanced, healthy and good nutrition;
- 1. Believes that greater attention should be paid to this issue, which should be regarded as a priority;
- 2. Proposes that the Commission take legislative action and plan programmes and funding able to encourage education on nutrition in order to counter the alarming figures on child obesity.

