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Highmem deprecation planning

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Following up on an ELC presentation about the future of 32-bit Linux, this is a discussion session specifically about highmem, which is a feature needed for a small number of 32-bit machines that regularly gets kernel developers upset.

The goal of this session is to find consensus on whether we can reasonably drop support for highmem in the next few years, what the best time for that would be, and what work has to get completed first in order to minimize the impact to current users.

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