Whereas, Some 100,000 Americans are awaiting a kidney transplant at any given time; and

Whereas, Kidney donations can be made by living donors; and

Whereas, Paying donors for organs is currently illegal; and

Whereas, Costs directly related to organ donation are paid by the recipient, but living kidney donors still typically incur significant expenses both before and after donation – a disincentive to donating; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association seek legislation to ensure that living kidney donors are reimbursed for expenses associated with donation of their kidney. (Directive to Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Not yet determined

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