Whereas, Glyphosate is the most commonly produced herbicide and used on multiple agricultural crops, including corn, soy, canola and wheat, and is found in significant amounts in popular household food products; and

Whereas, The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) under the World Health Organization classified glyphosate as a Group 2A chemical or likely carcinogen in 2015 because emerging research indicates it could potentially cause cell damage; and

Whereas, Research has shown an association between non-Hodkin’s lymphoma and glyphosate in human studies and other carcinogenic effects of glyphosate in animal studies; and

Whereas, Research has also shown that glyphosate can damage DNA in the peripheral blood of exposed humans through oxidative stress; and

Whereas, Data shows a significant increase in the use of glyphosate on crops in the past 20 years especially in the United States; and

Whereas, The State of California’s Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) listed glyphosate (the primary chemical in the herbicide branded Roundup) on the list of chemicals known to cause cancer for the purposes of Proposition 65 which now must carry warnings; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That our American Medical Association advocate for a reduction in the use of glyphosate-based pesticides (the primary chemical in the herbicide branded Roundup), encourage the evaluation of alternatives, and support additional research to determine the long-term effects and association between glyphosate and disease. (Directive to Take Action)

Fiscal Note: Not yet determined

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