

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL ON CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

CCB Report 4-A-25

Subject: Amendments to the Bylaws to Rename the Minority Affairs Section

Presented by: Jerry P. Abraham, MD, MPH, Chair

Referred to: Reference Committee on Ethics and Bylaws

1 The House of Delegates adopted Resolution 603-A-25, submitted by the Minority Affairs Section
2 (MAS), to rename the MAS as the Underrepresented in Medicine Advocacy Section (UMAS).
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4 The Council presents the appropriate Bylaw changes to accomplish the renaming, and will work
5 with the UMAS to ensure that its Rules/Internal Operating Procedures are similarly updated and
6 approved by the Board of Trustees, per Bylaws 6.1.1.4 and 7.0.7.
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8 RECOMMENDATIONS
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10 The Council on Constitution and Bylaws recommends that the following amendments to the
11 Bylaws be adopted, and that the remainder of the report be filed. Adoption requires the affirmative
12 vote of two-thirds of the members of the House of Delegates present and voting following a one-
13 day layover.
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15 **7—Sections**

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19 **7.7 ~~Minority Affairs Section Underrepresented in Medicine Advocacy Section.~~ The**
20 **~~Minority Affairs Section Underrepresented in Medicine Advocacy Section~~ is a delineated**
21 **Section.**
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23 **7.7.1 Membership.** All active members of the AMA, including residents and fellows and
24 medical students, who express an interest in racial or ethnic minority issues shall be eligible
25 for membership in the ~~Minority Affairs Section Underrepresented in Medicine Advocacy~~
26 ~~Section~~. Physicians or medical students who are not AMA members may join the Section for
27 up to 2 years as provisional members without the right to vote.
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29 **7.7.2 Elections.** Membership on the Governing Council shall be determined through election
30 by members of the ~~Minority Affairs Section Underrepresented in Medicine Advocacy~~
31 ~~Section~~. All members of the ~~Minority Affairs Section Underrepresented in Medicine~~
32 ~~Advocacy Section~~, except provisional members, shall be entitled to vote in elections of
33 Governing Council members. Ballot distribution and the voting process shall be conducted
34 pursuant to election procedures adopted by the Governing Council and approved by the
35 Board of Trustees.

(Modify Bylaws)