

AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION RESIDENT AND FELLOW SECTION

Emergency Resolution: 1  
(A-26)

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Subject: Opposition to Reduction of Resident Representation

Referred to: RFS Assembly

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- 1 Whereas, CLRPD recently shared a proposal to shrink the size of the House of Delegates which  
2 would significantly reduce the number of directly allocated medical student, resident, and fellow  
3 seats; and  
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- 5 Whereas cuts to overall delegation sizes across the House of Delegates would endanger  
6 opportunities for students and trainees and may result in disproportionate reductions in seats  
7 allocated to medical student, resident, and fellow seats on those delegations; and  
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- 9 Whereas, residents and fellows are already disproportionately underrepresented in terms of  
10 allocation of delegate seats relative to membership; and  
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- 12 Whereas, medical student, resident, and fellow members of the House of Delegates offer a  
13 critical mentorship pipeline to develop the future of medical leadership; and  
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- 15 Whereas, reducing medical student, resident, and fellow representation may disincentivize  
16 membership amongst the medical student, resident, and fellow sections weakening recruitment  
17 and slowing overall membership growth for the AMA; and  
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- 19 Whereas, this report will potentially come before the House of Delegates as soon as Interim  
20 2026; therefore be it  
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- 22 RESOLVED, that our American Medical Association-Resident and Fellow Section (AMA-RFS)  
23 oppose efforts to reduce the amount of resident representation in the House of Delegates; and  
24 be it further  
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- 26 RESOLVED, that our AMA-RFS oppose efforts to reduce the size of the House of Delegates  
27 without clear protections in place to ensure that cuts in representation do not disproportionately  
28 affect medical students, residents, and fellows.

## **Emergency Resolution 1: Opposition to Reduction of Resident Representation**

### **Author's Statement:**

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*This issue was just brought to the section's attention during this meeting and given it's enormous potential impact on the future of Resident and Fellow representation within the AMA and on all of our constituent societies it would be ideal for our section to adopt brief guidance for our GC and delegation on the Assembly's perspective on these ongoing discussions and the advocacy we want from our leadership. Thank you for your consideration.*