AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION PRIVATE PRACTICE PHYSICIANS SECTION (I-26)

Report of the Committee on Late Resolutions

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Doctor Chair, Members of the Assembly:

The Committee on Late Resolutions met Wednesday, October 14, to discuss Late Resolution 1 – Removing Health Insurance Influence in Government. Upon review, the Committee found Late Resolution 1's subject matter to be relevant to AMA Advocacy efforts and in line with current AMA policy. The subject is also germane to the interests of private practice physicians and is appropriate for consideration by the Private Practice Physicians Section.

While the issue is an important one, the Committee ultimately did not believe that Late Resolution 1 meets the threshold for urgent consideration by the Assembly at the 2026 Interim Meeting. Late Resolution 1 calls for the AMA to pursue legislative and regulatory actions to promote removing public officials with ties to health insurance companies from roles in government or other public influence. It does not, however, provide a rationale for why such action is required imminently and there is no indication that such action could not be taken under regular consideration at the 2027 Annual Meeting.

The Committee hopes the author will consider resubmitting the resolution for consideration at the next Annual Meeting and will offer the assistance of the PPPS Resolution Writing Committee to more fully develop the question of timeliness.

Without additional context for the need for immediate action, your Committee thus recommends that Late Resolution 1 be not accepted as an item of business for the Private Practice Physician Section at the 2026 Interim Meeting. A two-thirds vote of the Assembly is required for acceptance of any late resolutions as official business of the Assembly.