

**RESOLUTION 69 – 06A**

**Title: Voluntary Disaster Response Program**

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**House Action:**

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**Whereas, severe weather and other disasters often produce medical needs that outstrip local medical resources, and**

**Whereas, physicians are often willing to volunteer if organized logistic support is available; therefore be it**

**RESOLVED: That MSMS investigate creating an organized disaster response program to mobilize volunteer physicians, addressing such issues as identification, credentialing, transport, communication, liability coverage, and including the optimal role for both state and county medical societies, for disasters within Michigan and beyond.**

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