

RESOLUTION 9 - 05A

Title: Geographic Selection of AMA Delegates by MSMS House of Delegates Members

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Referred to: Reference Committee C

House Action: Referred to the Board for Study

Whereas, MSMS members wish their AMA House of Delegates to be the “most democratic of organizations” they should have representation from all geographic areas of the state of Michigan, and

Whereas, the MSMS House of Delegates currently sends delegates to the AMA House of Delegates only from the southernmost third of the state, the physicians of most of the counties of Michigan have no local delegate, no regional delegate, and no one that they can see or with whom they can speak, and

Whereas, the MSMS House of Delegates generally elects delegates to the AMA House of Delegates whom they know well and see frequently rather than relative strangers from other regions of the state; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the MSMS Board of Directors recommend changes to the method of election of the MSMS delegation to the AMA House of Delegates that will give fair geographic representation.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE