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3 **RESOLUTION 19-09A**  
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5 **Title: Increase Breast Feeding Benefits Awareness**  
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13 **House Action: Adopted as Amended**  
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16 **Whereas, it is the recommendation of the American Academy of**  
17 **Pediatrics that breast feeding is the best source of nutrition for infants and**  
18 **newborns, and**  
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20 **Whereas, breast feeding is the best option for improving immunity and**  
21 **system function, and**  
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23 **Whereas, psychologically, breast feeding is the best method of feeding**  
24 **infants and newborns, and**  
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26 **Whereas, breast feeding is less expensive than formula, and**  
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28 **Whereas, breast feeding is less likely to cause infections and illness;**  
29 **therefore be it**  
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31 **RESOLVED: That MSMS thoroughly encourage women to breast feed;**  
32 **and be it further**  
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34 **RESOLVED: That MSMS ask health systems to increase support of**  
35 **lactation educators; and be it further**  
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37 **RESOLVED: That MSMS encourage health plans to pay for appropriate**  
38 **lactation educators and support systems; and be it further**  
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40 **RESOLVED: That MSMS encourage other organizations to support the**  
41 **American Academy of Pediatric Policy Statement, “Breast feeding and the Use**  
42 **of Human Milk” 2005:115.**  
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45 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**