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3 **RESOLUTION 48-09A**
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5 **Title: Establish Federal Monitoring Programs for Fraud in Science**
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12 **Referred to: Reference Committee E**
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14 **House Action: No Action**
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17 **Whereas, scientific misconduct is a serious problem diverting precious**
18 **time and funding, and**
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20 **Whereas, currently the U.S. Office of Research Integrity (ORI) monitors**
21 **such activities by individual researchers and they are usually punished by the**
22 **respective universities, and**
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24 **Whereas, a recent study¹ showed that the individuals reprimanded for**
25 **fraud reported significant hardships including inability to appeal their cases**
26 **because of lack of resources, and**
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28 **Whereas, the researchers affected are not given a chance to re-align with**
29 **the society; therefore be it**
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31 **RESOLVED: That the Michigan Delegation to the AMA ask the AMA to**
32 **work with the federal government in collaboration with the National Institute of**
33 **Health to confer wider mandates for the U.S. Office of Research Integrity to**
34 **monitor and follow up fraud episodes and guide the professionals involved**
35 **similar to substance abuse recovery programs currently run by state licensing**
36 **boards.**
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39 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE: NONE**

Reference:
1. Redman BK, Merz JF. Scientific misconduct: Does the punishment fit the crime? Science 2008; 321:775.