

**RESOLUTION 61-15**

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3 Title: Plastic Microbeads in the Great Lakes  
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9 Referred to: Reference Committee D  
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11 House Action: **APPROVED AS AMENDED**  
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14 Whereas, current water treatment facilities are not able to remove plastic  
15 microbeads, and

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17 Whereas, these microbeads then end up in the Great Lakes water system, and

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19 Whereas, most of these microbeads originate from various body scrubs which  
20 could use other natural materials as exfoliants, and

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22 Whereas, plastics breakdown may release many potential chemical hazards  
23 into the environment, and

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25 Whereas, over 8 million metric tons of plastic enters our oceans yearly;  
26 therefore be it

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28 **RESOLVED:** That MSMS and the American Medical Association ask our state  
29 and federal legislative bodies, respectively, to ban plastic microbeads.  
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32 **WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE:** None