

# American Osteopathic Association

## House of Delegates

### Report of the Committee on Resolutions

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Mr. Speaker and members of the AOA House of Delegates:

Your Reference Committee on Resolutions presents the following summation of our meeting of the 98<sup>th</sup> AOA House of Delegates, and the Committee recommends that it be APPROVED.

WHEREAS, the July 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Osteopathic Association's House of Delegates in Chicago, Illinois, at the Marriott Magnificent Mile is concluding its session of policy actions setting the future direction of the osteopathic medical profession; and

WHEREAS, this body now represents more than 150,000 osteopathic physicians and osteopathic medical students in the United States and abroad; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we acknowledge the leadership offered by Mark A. Baker, DO, the American Osteopathic Association's 2017-18 President for reaffirming and guiding the future of the osteopathic profession and ensuring that all DOs will be sharing the shade of the trees planted during his presidency; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the AOA House of Delegates extends the full support of this assembly to William S. Mayo, DO, as he begins his year as the 122<sup>nd</sup> AOA President, advocating for the osteopathic medical profession throughout the spectrum of the profession; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that this AOA House of Delegates recognizes the ongoing involvement, effort, and service provided by the AOA Past Presidents and AOA Board of Trustees over these days; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this AOA House of Delegates recognizes the collective efforts and great success in building the five Phase 1 pillars of the AOA strategic plan

- Expense Control and Revenue Enhancement
- Increasing the Impact of Osteopathic Medical Research
- Expansion of OGME and Quality Enhancement
- Enhancing the impact of our Public Policy work, and
- The AOA Brand Visibility Campaign

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the following individuals and organizations be given the gratitude of the profession for their efforts in supporting this AOA House of Delegates to discharge its duty in the policy process:

- Michael Chipman, DO, president of the Illinois Osteopathic Medical Society for his enthusiastic warm welcome and invitation to eat our way through Chicago, and attend other local festivals;
- Ray L. Morrison, DO, forever known at this House as the \$150 man in support of the Advocates, and for his efficient execution of duties as speaker of the AOA House of Delegates;
- David L. Broder, DO, as vice speaker, the Brooklyn native in reunion with his osteopathic family, always looking to his other right but catching it all. WELCOME BACK;
- Boyd R. Buser, DO and Thomas Nasca, MD for their continued advocacy of the osteopathic profession, and recognition of the value and quality of AOA Board Certification, and the SAS process,
- Sherri M. Ling, MD, CMS Deputy Chief Medical Officer for recognizing that the hearts and minds of osteopathic physicians are intrinsically locked within our care for our patients rather than administrative burdens and red-tape,

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- Our osteopathic residents, interns and medical students who value involvement with their state, specialty and national organizations, and especially to those serving as delegates and alternates during this House of Delegates; and
- Our House of Delegates' Pages for the energetic and responsible discharge of their duties; and be it further

RESOLVED; that this AOA House of Delegates be recognized for its support of student activism as they "DO" represent our professions' future; and be it further

RESOLVED; that this AOA House of Delegates further acknowledges those individuals and organizations receiving recognition including:

- The American Academy of Osteopathy, Rocky Vista University College of Osteopathic Medicine, Missouri Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, and the Student Osteopathic Medical Association who received the Strategic Team Award and Recognition Awards;
- "First-Time Sports-Related Concussion Recovery: The Role of Sex, Age, and Sport", that received the George W. Northup, DO, Medical Writing Award
- Clinton E. Adams, DO, FACHE, Karen J. Nichols, DO, George Thomas, DO, FACOFP and Joshua L. Prober, JD, who received Presidential Citations;
- Kathleen Creason, MBA, Executive Director of the Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons of California for her 15 years of loyal service, she will be sorely missed. We wish her success in her new role addressing physician burnout;
- Norman E. Vinn, DO, who inspired us as the presenter of the A.T. Still Memorial Lecture, reminding us that we are all on a Mythical Journey begun by A.T. Still 140 years ago. Through Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity, and Ambiguity. As stated by John F. Kennedy, "Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future." Be who we say we are; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this AOA House of Delegates recognizes Adrienne White-Faines, MPA, CEO of the AOA for her remarkable accomplishments as she begins her sixth year representing our great

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osteopathic profession and sharing her vision for new possibilities for the profession. Recognizing the champions within the profession, appreciating diversity, and further advancing the profession; and be it further

RESOLVED that this AOA House of Delegates recognizes and congratulates Ronald R. Burns, DO, President-elect of the AOA, and offers him the full support of this body, and be it further

RESOLVED, the dedication and support of the AOA staff, who make this House of Delegates possible are recognized and appreciated by those present; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this AOA House of Delegates recognizes Dr. Mayo as the AOA's Southern Gentleman, a man of vision possessing a servant's heart. Focusing his presidency on Certifying Board Services; by practicing physicians for practicing physicians, expanding membership services, and to continue to promote the unity of the osteopathic family and in the words of Dr. Baker "tag you're it"; and be it further

RESOLVED, that if it seems a little dry, just add MAYO, MAYO fixes everything, never hold the MAYO.

And I so move. **APPROVED**

Mr. Speaker, this concludes the Committee's report. I would like to thank the following members of the Reference Committee for their collaboration and hard work.

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