Whereas, Tennessee Medical Association (TMA) Bylaw Chapter III, Section 3 includes active, veteran, and intern and resident members in the determination of component society membership for the purpose of determining the number of delegates (one for every 50) a component society is entitled to send to the TMA House of Delegates; and

Whereas, Intern and resident members do not pay dues to the TMA; and

Whereas, Most component medical societies do not have resident members because no residency slots are located in their geographic areas; and

Whereas, The only component medical societies with intern and resident members in 2014 were:*

- Chattanooga-Hamilton County Medical Society – 170
- Consolidated Medical Assembly of West Tennessee – 21
- Knoxville Academy of Medicine – 114
- Memphis Medical Society – 485
- Nashville Academy of Medicine – 561
- Sullivan County Medical Society – 14
- Washington-Unicoi-Johnson County Medical Society – 173; and

Whereas, All, or substantially all, of the delegate slots added to those component societies by virtue of the delegate eligibility determination including intern and resident members are routinely held by active or veteran delegates, not intern and resident delegates; and

Whereas, Interns and residents are represented in TMA governance with a dedicated seat on the TMA Board of Trustees (Bylaw Chapter V, Section 3) and in the TMA House of Delegates (Bylaw Chapter III, Section 16); and

Whereas, Only active and veteran TMA members are eligible to vote in TMA elections (TMA election rule III); and
Whereas, To help ensure that resident TMA members are represented in the House of Delegates by resident members, TMA needs to revamp how its resident delegates are chosen and give the resident section autonomy in selecting its delegates just as has been done previously for the medical student section. Now, therefore be it be

RESOLVED, That Bylaw Chapter III, Section 1 be amended by insertion and deletion as follows:

**Sec. 1.** The House of Delegates shall be the legislative and business body of the Association, and shall be composed of (1) delegates elected by the component societies and all sections of the Association; (2) ex-officio officers; (3) the former presidents of the Association; (4) the Association’s delegates to the American Medical Association; (5) the general officers of the American Medical Association, members of councils elected by the American Medical Association House of Delegates, and former presidents of the American Medical Association; (6) the Commissioner of Health and the Commissioner of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities for the state of Tennessee or the chief medical officer of either of these departments if the commissioner is ineligible; (7) the editor of the Journal of the Tennessee Medical Association; and (8) delegates representing statewide medical specialty societies that meet the requisite criteria established by the House of Delegates. (9) The delegates certified by the resident and fellow section; and (10) the delegates certified by the student section. All members of the House of Delegates must be members in good standing of the Association. The House of Delegates shall conduct its affairs in conformance with the Board of Trustees’ current antitrust compliance policy; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Bylaw Chapter III, Section 2 be amended by insertion as follows:

**Sec. 2.** The House of Delegates shall meet annually at the time and place of the annual meeting of the Association. Special meetings of the House of Delegates shall be called at the president’s discretion or upon petition of twenty percent of the delegates. Delegates shall serve a term beginning with their credentialing at the House of Delegates meeting during the annual meeting until the House of Delegates is convened at the following annual meeting. The number of active and veteran delegates from each component society to a special meeting shall be determined as set out in section 3 of this chapter. The number of residents and fellow delegates from each region shall be determined as set out in section 16 of this chapter. The number of student
delegates from each accredited Tennessee medical school shall be
determined as set out in section 14 of this chapter. Each component society
will determine term limits, if any, for its active and veteran delegates. The
resident section and the medical student section shall each determine term
limits, if any, for their respective delegates; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Bylaw Chapter III, Section 3 be amended by insertion and deletion as
follows:

Sec. 3. Each component society shall be entitled to send to the House of
Delegates each year one delegate for every fifty active, and veteran, and
intern and resident members; and one for every fraction thereof, based upon
the number of such members in the component society in good standing as
of December 1 of the year preceding the meeting of the House. Each
component society shall also be entitled to send one student delegate from
its membership to the House for each medical school in its territorial
jurisdiction. Each component...; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Bylaw Chapter III, Section 4 be amended by insertion and deletion as
follows:

Sec. 4. The members of the association who have joined directly pursuant to
TMA Bylaw Chapter 1 Section B.2 shall be entitled to send to the House of
Delegates each year one delegate for every fifty active, and veteran, and
intern and resident members who have joined TMA by direct membership
and are otherwise in good standing as of December 1 of the year preceding
the meeting of the House. Such delegate(s) shall be appointed by the
Nominating Committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Bylaw Chapter III, Section 14 be amended by insertion as follows:

Sec. 14. There shall be a Medical Student Section to provide representation
for the interests of medical students within the structure of the Association.
The medical students of each Liaison Committee on Medical Education-
accredited medical school in the state shall be entitled to representation in the
section. All representatives shall be members of the Association. The
Medical Student Section shall be organized under a governing body and shall
elect one medical student section delegate from each medical school to
represent it in the House of Delegates of the Association; and be it further

RESOLVED, That TMA Bylaw Chapter III, Section 16 be amended by insertion as follows:
Sec.16. There shall be a Resident and Fellow Section to provide for the representation of the interests of residents and fellows within the Association. Members of the section shall be current members who are in residency training programs in the state of Tennessee. The section shall be organized under a governing body and which shall elect one resident and fellow section delegate from each eligible region for every 50 resident and fellow members, and one for every fraction thereof, based upon the number of resident and fellow members in the region as of December 1 of the year proceeding to represent it in the House of Delegates of the Association. To be eligible to provide a resident and fellow delegate to the House of Delegates, a region must have at least one resident and fellow member.

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*For illustrative purposes only, based on the process suggested in this Resolution for choosing resident delegates to the House of Delegates (assuming it passes) and based on 2014 numbers, the resident section would choose the following number of delegates in each region:

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<tr>
<th>Region</th>
<th>Number of Delegates</th>
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<tr>
<td>Region 1</td>
<td>10 resident delegates (485 resident members = 50 x 9 + 35/50)</td>
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<td>Region 2</td>
<td>1 resident delegate (21 resident members = 21/50)</td>
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<td>Region 3</td>
<td>0 resident delegates</td>
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<td>Region 4</td>
<td>12 resident delegates (561 resident members = 50 x 11 + 11/50)</td>
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<td>Region 5</td>
<td>0 resident delegates</td>
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<td>Region 6</td>
<td>4 resident delegates (170 resident members = 50 x 3 + 20/50)</td>
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<td>Region 7</td>
<td>3 resident delegates (114 resident members = 50 x 2 + 14/50)</td>
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<td>Region 8</td>
<td>4 resident delegates (187 resident members = 50 x 3 + 37/50)</td>
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Taking Region 1 as an example, for the 2014 House of Delegates, Region 1 had 485 resident members in its census. Dividing 485 resident members by 50, because each region receives one resident delegate for every 50 members, the result is 9 with a remainder of 35 members. The 35 members would qualify Region 1 for one (1) additional resident delegate for a total of 10 resident delegates if this resolution had been in place for the 2014 House of Delegates.