RESOLUTION 2021 A

SUBJECT: Physician Opioid Prescribing Legislative Protection

SUBMITTED TO: Michigan Osteopathic Association House of Delegates

SUBMITTED BY: Stephen Swetech, DO (MCOMA)

REFERRED TO: Professional Affairs

Recommendation from Reference Committee: Approve as Amended

ACTION AT MOA HOD:

Whereas, DUE TO WIDESPREAD PUBLIC AWARENESS OF THE NATIONAL because of the media’s obsession with the opioid crisis, SOME physicians MAY BE UNFAIRLY SANCTIONED FOR APPROPRIATE PRESCRIBING OF OPIOID ANALGESIC are being singled out for legitimately prescribing opioid analgesics, effectively preventing physicians from prescribing them for fear of license revocation; and

Whereas, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory the only real alternative analgesic MEDICATIONS COULD have serious AND potentially life threatening side effects OR MAY BE INSUFFICIENTLY EFFICACIOUS; therefore be it

Resolved, that the Michigan Osteopathic Association ENCOURAGE assist receptive MICHIGAN legislators to enact license protecting laws enabling physicians APPROPRIATELY ADDRESS safely alleviate their patient’s pain ISSUES; and be it further

Resolved, that this RESOLUTION BE FORWARDED be sent to the American Osteopathic Association for national legislative action.