

RESOLUTION 2021 C

SUBJECT: Osteopathic Board Payment Reform
SUBMITTED TO: Michigan Osteopathic Association House of Delegates
SUBMITTED BY: David Leszkowitz, DO (OCOMA Delegate)
REFERRED TO: Professional Affairs

Recommendation from Committee: Approve with Amendments

ACTION AT MOA HOD: APPROVED AS AMENDED

- 1 **Whereas**, Osteopathic senior residents often choose to take allopathic rather than the osteopathic
2 certification board examination in their specialty; and
- 3 **Whereas**, the costs involved in taking certification board examinations are often a significant
4 factor in senior residents’ decision-making; and
- 5 **Whereas**, in order to ensure the survival of the osteopathic boards as well as preserving the
6 osteopathic profession, it is critical to address costs and other factors which may be dissuading
7 residents from choosing the osteopathic certification board option; therefore be it
- 8 **Resolved**, that the Michigan Osteopathic Association (MOA) encourage the American
9 Osteopathic Association (AOA) to work with the osteopathic specialty boards to reduce the costs
10 associated with osteopathic certification boards in order to become competitive with allopathic
11 board examinations; and, be it further
- 12 **Resolved**, that the moa encourage AOA to continue developing potential solutions including
13 analysis of costs which result in incentivizing senior osteopathic residents to choose to take
14 osteopathic, rather than allopathic, certification board examinations and report actions taken back
15 to the MOA House of Delegates in 2022.