

1 **RESOLUTION #21-03**

2 **ENTITLED:** AAFP Reference Committee Membership Review

3 **SUBMITTED BY:** Jason Marker, MD, FAAFP

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5 WHEREAS, in recent years there has been a real or perceived concern that the membership of some  
6 AAFP Congress of Delegates (COD) Reference Committees has not been reflective of the rich  
7 diversity of opinions held by the COD and AAFP members, and

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9 WHEREAS, there has been concern that because of this possible lack of diversity of opinion, the work  
10 of some of the Reference Committees has brought to the floor of the COD Reference Committee  
11 reports that were not fully reflective of the actual debate of the Reference Committee deliberations, and

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13 WHEREAS, this has sometimes resulted in long, and sometimes unnecessary, re-debate of some  
14 resolutions before the full COD, perhaps in an effort to circumvent what was believed to be an  
15 inadequate Reference Committee report, therefore be it

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17 **RESOLVED**, that the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) develop an explicit policy  
18 wherein there is a process to review Reference Committee membership prior to each year's Congress  
19 of Delegates in order to assure that each reference committee has a balanced and diverse  
20 membership.