

1 **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED**

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3 (1) **MASS DEPORTATION AS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE**

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5 **RECOMMENDATION A:**

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7 **The First Resolve of Late Resolution 1 be amended by addition**
8 **and deletion to read as follows:**

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10 **RESOLVED, that our American Medical Association (AMA)**
11 **recognize ~~mass deportation~~ detention of immigrants, asylum**
12 **seekers, and refugees as a public health issue, and recognizes**
13 **the long-term mental and physical health implications of**
14 **deportation on individuals, families, and communities.**

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16 **RECOMMENDATION B:**

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18 **The Third Resolve of Late Resolution 1 be amended by**
19 **addition and deletion to read as follows:**

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21 **RESOLVED, that our AMA oppose deportation of health care**
22 **workers ~~who do not pose a threat to their community~~ solely**
23 **based on their documentation status.**

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25 **RECOMMENDATION C:**

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27 **The Second, Fourth and Fifth Resolves of Late Resolution 1 be**
28 **deleted.**

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30 **RECOMMENDATION D:**

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32 **Late Resolution 1 be adopted as amended.**

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34 RESOLVED, that our American Medical Association (AMA) recognize mass deportation as a
35 public health issue; and be it further

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37 RESOLVED, that our AMA oppose widespread efforts by authorities to ascertain individuals'
38 immigration status or proceed to arrest, detain, or remove an individual without probable cause
39 for commission of a crime; on the basis of race, color, or other protected status; or target and
40 profile specific communities without probable cause; and be it further

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42 RESOLVED, that our AMA oppose deportation of health care workers who do not pose a threat
43 to their community; and be it further

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45 RESOLVED, that our AMA oppose the large-scale internment of individuals targeted for
46 deportation efforts; and be it further

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48 RESOLVED, that this resolution be immediately forwarded to the AMA House of Delegates at the
49 2024 Interim Meeting.

1 Your Reference Committee appreciates the robust testimony received on Late Resolution 1. All
2 testimony supported the intent and spirit of the resolution, with some suggestions for changes in
3 wording or additions. There were concerns from multiple groups and individuals about the wording
4 of the first resolve, including concerns about the lack of data provided in the whereas clauses
5 about the public health implications of deportation. Multiple amendments were suggested,
6 including from the RFS representative to the MAS Governing Council, and your Reference
7 Committee attempted to incorporate these while addressing the concerns and capturing the
8 original intent of the authors.

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10 Several individuals raised concerns with the wording of the second resolve and noted that it was
11 largely already part of current AMA policy. The authors indicated they did not feel strongly about
12 its inclusion, and thus your Reference Committee chose to strike it. For the third resolve, your
13 Section Delegates as well as multiple individuals expressed concern about the wording, including
14 qualifying who should and should not be protected from deportation. Your Reference Committee
15 agreed and broadened this language. Further, the intent of the original fourth resolve is now
16 integrated in the amended first resolve and therefore the original is stricken to be more concise.
17 Finally, your Section Delegates, along with the RFS Standing Committees on Legislation and
18 Advocacy and Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion spoke against the immediate forwarding
19 clause, noting that while this issue is timely the AMA already has policy on many related topics,
20 and that there was not sufficient justification provided as to why this needed to be immediately
21 forwarded at this meeting. Your Reference Committee agrees and recommends that Late
22 Resolution 1 be adopted as amended.