INTRODUCED BY:  Baltimore County Medical Association

SUBJECT:  Adopting Principles Addressing “Burnout” Among Physicians

Whereas, the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB) has become increasingly concerned about Physician Wellness and Burnout; and

Whereas, the FSMB convened a Workgroup on this subject in April 2016 to: “identify resources and strategies to address physician burnout” including: “reviewing …existing research, resources and strategies for addressing it” which as it said: “is ultimately a patient safety issue;” and

Whereas, in addition to recommendations specifically for State Medical Licensing Boards the Workgroup also made recommendations for External Stakeholders and Partner Organizations including Professional Medical Organizations and Societies, Center for Medicaid and Medicare Services, State Government, Health Departments and Legislatures, Vendors of Electronic Health Records, Medical Schools and Residency Programs, Hospitals and other Employers, Insurers, Accrediting Organizations, and Physicians; therefore be it

Resolved, that MedChi appoint a task force to closely study physician burnout to identify areas that need change in Maryland and develop recommendations that may be considered by the MedChi House of Delegates.

As adopted by the House of Delegates at its meeting on April 29, 2018.