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Montgomery County Medical Society

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Resolution 17-14

SUBJECT: Health Plan Payments to Physicians via Credit Card 1 Whereas, medical practice cash flow is a constant challenge; and 2 Whereas, credit card companies are charging physicians an increasing fee for the "privilege" of accepting credit 3 cards as a manner of payment; and 4 5 6 Whereas, many commercial businesses (ie, gas stations and others) add a surcharge for credit card payments; and 7 Whereas, insurance Companies are increasingly providing credit card payments to physicians in lieu of check or 8 9 direct EFT payments; therefore be it 10 Resolved, that MedChi work with the appropriate government agency to prevent insurance companies from 11 12 effectively reducing payment via credit cards; and be it further 13 14 Resolved, that MedChi study allowing physicians to recover a surcharge on credit card processing and other credit card related issues. 15 16 17