MEDCHI, THE MARYLAND STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY
HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Resolution 17-14

INTRODUCED BY: Montgomery County Medical Society

SUBJECT: Health Plan Payments to Physicians via Credit Card

Whereas, medical practice cash flow is a constant challenge; and
Whereas, credit card companies are charging physicians an increasing fee for the "privilege" of accepting credit cards as a manner of payment; and
Whereas, many commercial businesses (ie, gas stations and others) add a surcharge for credit card payments; and
Whereas, insurance Companies are increasingly providing credit card payments to physicians in lieu of check or direct EFT payments; therefore be it

Resolved, that MedChi work with the appropriate government agency to prevent insurance companies from effectively reducing payment via credit cards; and be it further

Resolved, that MedChi study allowing physicians to recover a surcharge on credit card processing and other credit card related issues.

As amended and adopted by the House of Delegates and its meeting on September 27, 2014.