

RESOLUTION #6

Introduced by: Camden County Medical Society

Subject: **Reduction in the Cost of Physician Education and Student Indebtedness**

Referred to: Reference Committee

1 Whereas, medical student loan burden has become a personal albatross, possibly for a
2 lifetime; and

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4 Whereas, financial indebtedness is psychologically a heavy encumbrance that can affect the
5 patient-physician relationship; and

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7 Whereas, financial indebtedness to such magnitude decreases motivation and productive
8 behavior to perform the formidable tasks of being a physician; and

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10 Whereas, student loan procurement is only adding to the ability of schools to charge more
11 for education; now therefore be it

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13 RESOLVED, that: the AMA and MSNJ support financial responsibility of students to pay,
14 but not to a lifetime of educational indebtedness; and be it further

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16 RESOLVED, that the AMA and MSNJ support and pursue the concept of a less expensive
17 educational price tag to achieve a physician degree; and be it further

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19 RESOLVED, that the AMA and MSNJ support the concept that loans are not an answer to
20 a vibrant new AMA/MSNJ practitioner with patient interaction versus debt-burden
21 repayment on her/his mind.