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1 **WHEREAS**, Family Medicine physicians should seek to cooperate with parties who eliminate
2 administrative burden on the practice of medicine; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, Family Medicine physicians should seek to avoid endorsing companies that impose
5 unnecessary burdens on physicians; and

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7 **WHEREAS**, health insurance companies and pharmacy benefit managers have a fiduciary
8 responsibility towards their owners and shareholders; and

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10 **WHEREAS**, health insurance companies and pharmacy benefit managers mandate that duly
11 licensed physicians obtain prior authorizations for medically necessary items thereby increasing
12 the administrative burden on family medicine physicians; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, said prior authorizations are adjudicated by health care providers who have not
15 directly engaged with the patient, therefore be it

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17 **RESOLVED**, that the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians refuse to solicit or accept any
18 monies or any object of value from any health insurance company that requires family medicine
19 physicians to obtain "prior authorizations."