SUBMITTING A RESOLUTION FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Business is introduced into the House of Delegates (House) through the presentation of resolutions by voting Delegates on behalf of their county or specialty medical society, special sections, or as individual Delegates. In order to be considered as regular business each resolution must be submitted to the FMA no later than 45 days prior to start of the first session of the House of Delegates. For more information on resolutions, refer to pages 5-7 of the Procedures of the House of Delegates.

All resolutions should be submitted to Brittany Jackson at the FMA by email at bjackson@flmedical.org. For more information call the FMA at 850.224.6496.

RESOLUTIONS - DEADLINES

Prior to June 5 1st deadline for publication in the Delegate Handbook.

Between June 6-19 2nd deadline for publication in the Handbook Addendum.

Between June 20 and July 31 Resolutions received after 5:00 pm EST on June 19 and prior to 11:00 am on July 31 are considered late. Late resolutions will be sent to the Credentials and Standing Rules Committee to consider whether to accept or reject. If accepted, the Speaker will refer it to the appropriate Reference Committee at that time.

After 11:00 am July 31 Resolutions received after 11:00 am EST on July 31 are considered an emergency and will only be considered by the House upon receipt of a two-thirds affirmative vote.

Attached is a sample resolution from 2009 to assist in formatting.

Submit completed resolutions to Brittany Jackson @ bjackson@flmedica.org/ Fax: 850.224.6627
Whereas, The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has made the decision to remove, relocate, and consolidate the local equipment caches of the six (6) Florida Disaster Medical Assistant Teams (DMAT) of the National Disaster Medical System to Atlanta; and

Whereas, Separation from its equipment will reduce Florida DMAT Teams’ readiness and ability to respond to a major medical event, as training readiness is a function of any team’s familiarity with its equipment and the drills conducted during regular training exercises; and

Whereas, Without access to its equipment, Florida DMAT Teams’ ability to drill and prepare will, undoubtedly, reduce its ability to effectively and rapidly respond when needed; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Florida Medical Association petition the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, to reverse its decision to regionally relocate and consolidate DMAT equipment caches for the purpose of promoting local training and deployment readiness.