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Resolution #5

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Subject: OAFP Will Support the Work of Health Care for All Oregon (HCAO)

WHEREAS, “The [OAFP] will form a task force to create a coalition of health care organizations and other interested parties with the goal of developing a plan for universal health coverage and access for all Oregonians…” (OAFP Congress of Members, May 2003)

WHEREAS, “The [OAFP] supports single payer national health insurance as an effective strategy to achieve universal access” (OAFP COM, May 2009);

WHEREAS, “The OAFP endorses universal access to comprehensive, affordable, high quality health care through single payer legislation at the state level” (OAFP COM, April 2014);

WHEREAS, “… a coalition of health care organizations and other interested parties with the goal of developing a plan for universal coverage and access for all Oregonians” (see above) does currently exist as Health Care for All Oregon (HCAO);

WHEREAS, Oregon SB 770, which would provide a framework for universal health insurance coverage in Oregon is currently the top legislative priority for HCAO; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the OAFP will publicly support HCAO efforts to network with over 120 other member organizations in pursuing universal health care access and coverage for all Oregonians by posting a link to HCAO on the OAFP website;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the OAFP Board will study the implications and possibilities of joining as a full institutional member organization within HCAO and make a recommendation to the Congress of Members at the 2020 COM; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the OAFP External Affairs Committee will employ its lobbying efforts in support of SB 770 during the 2019 Legislature.