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1 Reinforce Support of Ensuring Accurate Medical Information at Crisis Pregnancy Centers (CPCs) 2 3 Submitted by: Anna Sliwowska, MD, Women 4 Anna Lowell, DO, MPH, Minority 5 Tabatha Wells, MD, FAAFP, New Physician 6 Martha Simmons, MD, General Registrant 7 Hannah Biederman, MD, Women 8 9 WHEREAS, The Congress of Delegates adopted substitute Resolution No. 502 (New York B) 10 entitled Ensure Accurate Medical Information at Crisis Pregnancy Centers (CPCs) in 2011, and 11 WHEREAS, the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) sent a letter to the Secretary of 12 13 HHS on July 20, 2012, and 14 15 WHEREAS, a letter dated November 7, 2012 from Secretary Sebeluis' office was received at AAFP in response to the AAFP letter of July 20, 2012, and 16 17 18 WHEREAS, CPCs continue to proliferate since 2012, and it is estimated that there are between 19 2,500 and 4,000 centers across the United States compared to approximately 800 abortion clinics, 20 and 21 22 WHEREAS, women are entitled to comprehensive and unbiased medical information and CPCs 23 have been shown to intentionally mislead women with inaccurate or incomplete medical 24 information, and 25 26 WHEREAS, CPCs are not required to employ staff who are medically trained or appropriately 27 qualified to diagnose and accurately date pregnancy, and 28 29 WHEREAS, CPCs continue to secure public money without public accountability, as an example 30 Pennsylvania gave more than \$30 million from 2012 to 2017 to Real Alternatives, a network of 31 pregnancy centers and, now, therefore, be it 32 33 RESOLVED. That the American Academy of Family Physicians support efforts to hold crisis 34 pregnancy centers accountable for false or misleading advertising about the pregnancy-related 35 services they offer, and be it further 36 37 RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians engage in advocacy and lobbying 38 efforts to support legislation mandating that crisis pregnancy centers disclose whether or not there 39 is a licensed medical provider on staff and to disclose that they do not provide or refer for 40 contraception or abortion services, and be it further 41 42 RESOLVED, That the American Academy of Family Physicians oppose the use of federal funds to 43 support crisis pregnancy centers, and be it further, and be it further

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