

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION 1

### SETTING UP OF THE MMA TAWAU CHAPTER UNDER MMA SABAH

**Preamble:**

MMA, as an organisation catering to all doctors in Malaysia, continues to expand in all corners of the country. Over the years, we have seen a steady increase in the number of members from Tawau, Sabah. As is widely known, Sabah is a large state, with major cities separated by a significant distance. Tawau is located about seven hours drive from the capital city of Kota Kinabalu. The district of Tawau is a large district located in the East Coast of Sabah. It caters to nearby districts of Semporna and Kunak. The main public hospital is Tawau Hospital, which has about 100 doctors. There are also 3 nearby Klinik Kesihatan which cater for the population. As for the private side, there are two private medical centres and a growing number of GP clinics. There is a significant population of doctors here who have yet to become MMA members. As such, MMA Sabah strongly believes it is time for the formation of MMA Tawau Sub-Branch to cater for the needs of members there and to ensure continued expansion of MMA in Sabah.

**Resolution:**

The House hereby resolves that the MMA Tawau Chapter be established as a Sub-branch under the supervision of MMA Sabah Branch in line with the MMA Constitution Clause 14 (1) (v) which states that *“Each Branch may form, within its State or Territory; Sub-branches, to be called Chapters, in districts, towns and/or cities, whenever and/or wherever necessary; and each such chapter’s management and control shall be under the direct supervision of the branch that forms it, and may have a representative in the Branch Committee.”*

The House also resolves to provide an annual grant of RM5,000 to enable the Chapter to conduct its own activities.

Proposer: Dr Brandon Patrick Senagang

Secunder: Datuk Dr Heric Corray

*(On behalf of the MMA Sabah Branch Committee)*

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION 2

### RESOLUTION ON RENOVATION OF MMA BUILDING

**Preamble:**

Due to the present condition of the MMA Building, the House at the 60<sup>th</sup> MMA AGM, approved a sum of RM 1,000,000.00 to upgrade the building to meet current standards and improve the rental income of the building. After thorough checking and discussions with a few architects, the Council agreed to conduct a dilapidation report on the building and upgrade the entire wiring and piping system. Consequently, the approved sum is no longer sufficient to cover the cost of upgrading the entire building.

**Resolution:**

The House resolves to grant a mandate to the MMA Exco and Council for an amount up to and not exceeding RM 5 million to renovate and upgrade the existing MMA Building within three (3) years. The renovation project will undergo the standard tender approval process, which will be managed by the Tender Committee chaired by the Honorary General Treasurer.

Proposer: Dr Koh Kar Chai

Secunder: Datuk Dr Thirunavukarasu Rajoo

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION 3**

**GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE (GPA) AND BEREAVEMENT PAYMENT**

**Preamble:**

MMA Exco has decided not to continue with GPA Insurance but instead to enhance the Bereavement benefits. This will increase the financial benefits for members.

Discontinuing with GPA Insurance will reduce the documentation and bureaucracy issues with 3rd party insurance. This is also to avoid the impact by the insurance company increasing the policy amount yearly.

With Bereavement payment, MMA has full control of the benefits to members, and it can be periodically adjusted based on our financial situation.

Below is the projected proposal.

<b>Basis</b>		<b>Life Members</b>	<b>RM8,000</b>	
		<b>Ordinary Members</b>	<b>RM3,000</b>	
<b>Assume the no of death is increase by 1% every year</b>				
<b>Year</b>	<b>Members Category</b>	<b>No of Deceased Members</b>	<b>Proposed Death Benefit</b>	<b>Total Expenditure RM</b>
2024	Life Members	26	8,000.00	208,000.00
	Ordinary Members	8	3,000.00	24,000.00
				<b>232,000.00</b>
2025	Life Members	29	8,000.00	232,000.00
	Ordinary Members	9	3,000.00	27,000.00
				<b>259,000.00</b>
2026	Life Members	32	8,000.00	256,000.00
	Ordinary Members	10	3,000.00	30,000.00
				<b>286,000.00</b>

**Resolution:**

The House hereby resolves that the contribution of RM 8000 to be given to the family of the deceased Life Members of the MMA and the contribution of RM 3000 to be given to the family of the deceased of Ordinary Members of the MMA. This resolution will be reviewed in 3 years.

Proposer: Dr Vasu Pillai A/L Letchumanan  
 Secunder: Datuk Dr Thirunavukarasu Rajoo

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION 4

### HEALTH CARE REFORM: HEALTH WHITE PAPER

#### Preamble:

At the 58<sup>th</sup> MMA AGM, a resolution was passed for MMA to lead and advocate for National Healthcare System Reform. The resolution advocated that the House supports and empowers the in-coming Council to provide resources to work towards this goal by progressing the MMA's position on national healthcare financing and delivery by addressing the following four questions:

- 1) How is the current situation of health care financing and delivery?
- 2) Where are the gaps or developing gaps in financing and delivery?
- 3) What are the Optimum desirable and achievable targets for Malaysia?
- 4) When and How should we get there?

The result of the above resolution has been the publication of the book "Healthcare Reform – Healthier Future for Malaysia" 2023 which has 17 chapters as follows:

- 1) Introduction
- 2) Healthcare in Malaysia
- 3) Options and models for healthcare
- 4) Family health
- 5) Primary health care
- 6) Malaysia's pandemic preparedness
- 7) Managed care
- 8) The role of private healthcare services in developing healthcare delivery network in Malaysia
- 9) Healthcare financing reforms in Malaysia
- 10) Key issues in health financing and integration
- 11) Human resources
- 12) Medical education and the medical profession
- 13) Digital health
- 14) Application of Big Data in healthcare
- 15) The Malaysian Medical Council
- 16) Leadership and governance in Malaysia's health system
- 17) Summary and recommendations

This book is an update of the MMA's 1999 "Health for All" (McCoy R et al) that was published and submitted to the Ministry of Health. That was predated by an earlier publication in 1980 "the future of the health services in Malaysia" (MK Rajakumar et al). These endeavours records and reflects the MMA's professional interest and relentless motivations to improve health services for the nation and our population.

Since the above AGM resolution in 2018, we have had the COVID-19 pandemic, which has revealed the fractures and fissures in the Malaysian Healthcare System. This prompted the government to admit the need for health care reform, which the MMA had long been advocating.

In a landmark decision, the government commissioned the Health White Paper (HWP), which has recently been passed in parliament with bipartisan support. We are indeed gratified that a Past President of the MMA was included in the HWP advisory committee.

In line with the MMA's recommendations, the HWP proposes a supra-parliamentary process over 3 parliamentary terms or 15 years.

The first phase of the HWP proposes:

*The first five years of health system reforms will focus on two forms of activity: firstly, laying the foundational building blocks that will enable the multi-year implementation of complex systemic or structural reforms, including legislative amendments;*

*and secondly, implementing next-stage modules for initiatives that have already begun or are currently in piloting stages to deliver improvements that more stakeholders can experience first-hand, building momentum for broader reform.*

**Resolutions:**

1. To keep MMA in the forefront of the process of healthcare reforms, we would like to propose that the National Health Policy Committee (NHPC) of the MMA be the focal point for coordinating MMA’s dissemination of information and response to the interventions proposed.
2. That the NHPC, with the support of MMA Exco and Council, conduct a series of panel discussions based on the 4 pillars of the Health White Paper namely:
  - i. Transforming Health Service Delivery
  - ii. Improving Health Promotion and Illness Prevention
  - iii. Ensuring Sustainable and Fair Health Financing
  - iv. Strengthening the Foundation and Governance of Health System, and Establishing Health Reform Commission
3. In recognition and appreciation of the moral backing and financial support of the previous MMA councils; to further exhort incoming Councils to continue to provide resources that will enable NHPC
  - i. to seek expert consultation and learn from global experiences,
  - ii. to pursue and consolidate professional solidarity, and
  - iii. to garner social and community support in the real and virtual realms,

towards MMA’s prominent and enlightened participation in the process of our National Healthcare reforms.

Proposer: Datuk Dr Teoh Siang Chin

Secunder: Dr Mary Cardosa

*(Presented on behalf of the National Health Policy Committee 2022-2023)*

## PROPOSED RESOLUTION 5

### QUALITY ASPIRATIONS MMA COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES TO EXTERNAL BODIES

**Preamble:**

MMA is the professional association for doctors in Malaysia since 1960. It has about 30 committees and about 40 official representatives to external agencies.

In this fast-moving world, MMA has to keep abreast and ahead of similar organisations.

In aspiring towards this prominence and distinction, we should have some management metrics that will improve our performance and achievements.

We have been fortunate to have served in many different committees of the MMA and we know there is a vast disparity in meetings and the documentation of such. All of us are professionals and it would serve our time management of meeting matters are executed in a prompt and effective manner.

**Resolution:**

We propose a basic monitoring mechanism that will allow independent audit of such information as meeting attendances and more importantly distribution of meeting minutes and of reporting from our representatives in external agencies. This will be done in good faith to help the MMA secretariat achieve greater efficiency and performance.

Proposer: Datuk Dr Teoh Siang Chin

Secunder: Datuk Dr Lee Han Kyun @ Joseph Lee