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TITLE: Single Payer Option (A Viable Solution to America's Health Care Crisis)

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Endorsements:

WHEREAS, in 2017, the American Academy of Family Physicians commissioned an independent study (Board Report F) on publicly-funded, privately-delivered systems of universal health care; and

WHEREAS, this independent study concluded that a single payer health plan is one solution to America's current health care crisis, as has been demonstrated internationally in numerous other developed nations as an effective method of achieving better health outcomes at lower cost; and

WHEREAS, AAFP policy currently supports only a pluralistic system as the solution to America's health care crisis; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the California Academy of Family Physicians submit a resolution to the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) that calls on AAFP to include single payer national health insurance in AAFP policy as one viable solution to America's current health care crisis.

NOTE: The Board will discuss a proposed document on health care reform prepared by the AAFP at its April meeting; single payer is addressed in the document.