

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendment to the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) Constitution & Bylaws to Eliminate Outside Organizations from Approving the ACOFP Constitution & Bylaws

SUBMITTED BY: Georgia Society of American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians

REFERRED TO: 2018 ACOFP Congress of Delegates

RESOLUTION NO. 29

1 WHEREAS, the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians (ACOFP) is an independent
2 organization and is incorporated in the State of Illinois; and
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4 WHEREAS, the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) is an independent organization and is
5 incorporated in the State of Illinois; and
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6 WHEREAS, the ACOFP and the AOA have entered into an AOA Specialty Affiliation Agreement for
7 certain common purposes; and
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9 WHEREAS, the AOA Specialty Affiliation Agreement was approved by the AOA on July 14, 2011 and the
10 ACOFP on January 21, 2012; and
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12 WHEREAS, the AOA Specialty Affiliation Agreement Section III.A. recognizes each organization as
13 being a separate corporate entity; and
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15 WHEREAS, the AOA Specialty Affiliation Agreement Section III.B. recognizes that each organization is a
16 “self-governed and independent legal entity”; and
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18 WHEREAS, the Constitution & Bylaws of the ACOFP belong to the members of the ACOFP; and
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20 WHEREAS, the Constitution of the ACOFP Article V – Congress of Delegates, states “The Congress of
21 Delegates shall be the policy-making and legislative body of the College, and shall perform such
22 functions as set forth in the bylaws”; now, therefore be it
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24 RESOLVED, that the Constitution of the ACOFP Article IX. AMENDMENTS, Section 2, which states: “An
25 amendment to these Bylaws shall not be effective until they are submitted to and approved by
26 the Board of Trustees of the American Osteopathic Association (AOA)” be amended by striking
27 this section; and, be it further
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29 RESOLVED, that the ACOFP Bylaws, Article XVI- AMENDMENTS, Section 2, which states: “All
30 amendments to the Bylaws shall not be effective until they are submitted to and approved by
31 the Board of Trustees of the AOA” be amended by striking this section.

FINAL ACTION: REFERRED TO ACOFP CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS COMMITTEE as of March 22, 2018