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Subject: COVID-19 Crisis in India.

- 1 Whereas, the world has suffered from the pandemic caused by COVID-19, causing the death of millions
- 2 of people across the globe; and
- 3 Whereas, many countries have been successful in bringing the infection and death rate down; and
- 4 Whereas, after the initial control over the pandemic, India, the second populous country in the world is
- 5 experiencing a surge of COVID-19 infections and deaths with variants like B.1.617.2 that has
- 6 overwhelmed the health system to a point where rich and poor, even doctors in the frontlines are dying
- 7 with lack of basic needs like Oxygen: and
- 8 Whereas, the risk of another surge of COVID-19 infection with more virulent strains in the US is more
- 9 likely unless the pandemic is controlled in India and across the globe; and
- 10 Whereas, physicians of Indian origin in the United States have risen to the occasion, have donated and
- raised millions of dollars in donations, acquired Oxygen concentrators, high flow oxygen devices and
- respirators and shipped them to India; therefore, be it
- 13 Resolved that our AMA urge the US government to provide all possible assistance including surplus
- 14 vaccines and vaccines that have not had Emergency Use Authorization to the citizens of India and other
- 15 countries in similar situation in this humanitarian crisis; and be it further.
- 16 Resolved that our AMA advocate for all possible assistance through WMA and WHO for Government
- and the citizens of India and other countries in similar situation; and be it further
- 18 Resolved that our AMA recognize the extraordinary efforts of many dedicated physicians and ethnic
- organizations assisting in this humanitarian crisis.