ACTION ITEM TO BE BROUGHT TO MSSNY COUNCIL BY NEW YORK COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY NOVEMBER 3, 2022

Echoing concerns heard at the 2022 meeting of the House of Delegates of MSSNY, the Board of Directors of the New York County Medical Society believes that MSSNY, like the AMA and most specialty societies, should hold contested elections for officers as the norm.

Although it is true that members can run for office from the floor of the House, there is a clear advantage to those who are on the slate of the Nominating Committee. As there is no prohibition in the Bylaws, the Nominating Committee should be asked to nominate at least two names for each office.

Each county medical society is asked to submit its nominations to the Nominating Committee in the summer. The Nominating Committee should only nominate a slate for contested office from the names that have been submitted.

The New York County Medical Society brings the following motion to the MSSNY Council for consideration.

MOTION: That the MSSNY Council instruct the 2023 MSSNY Nominating Committee to present at least two names for each officer position as a contested slate, from the names that have been submitted by the county medical societies as were requested in the summer.