

RESOLUTION #13

Introduced by: Essex County Medical Society

Subject: **Stock Pile Vaccines**

Referred to: Reference Committee

1 Whereas, the Institute of Medicine Committee on Evaluation of Vaccine purchase financing
2 in the United States recommended, in August 2003, that the Federal Government provide
3 subsidies to public and private insurance providers for vaccinations, require all insurance
4 companies to cover immunizations, and create a voucher system for uninsured children and
5 adults to receive free vaccinations; and

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7 Whereas, comment from the National Vaccine Program office (NVPO) said that the current
8 reimbursement system does not always pay for the full cost of vaccination; and

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10 Whereas, NVPO further felt that it was necessary to strengthen the existing “Vaccines for
11 Children Program” currently providing free vaccine to one-half of US children, and Section
12 317 providing grant money to states; and

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14 Whereas, only a few companies manufacture vaccines in the US; now therefore be it

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16 RESOLVED, that MSNJ petition the AMA to seek legislation which includes all children
17 under the “Vaccine for Children grant,” and be it further

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19 RESOLVED, that this legislation provide for national stock piling under direction of the
20 Centers for Disease Control.