

1 **SUBJECT:** Mental Health Programs in Texas to Help Reduce Violence

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4 **REFERRED TO:** Public Affairs Committee

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5 WHEREAS, establishment of mental health programs are an effective and economically viable  
6 tool to prevent bullying and harassment as well as suicidal and homicidal acts which often are  
7 at the root of violent and destructive behaviors; now, therefore be it

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9 RESOLVED, that the Texas Osteopathic Medical Association (TOMA) supports public health  
10 efforts that strengthen mental health programs addressing suicide as well as bullying and  
11 harassment recognition that leads to violence; and, be it further

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13 RESOLVED, that this resolution be forwarded to the American Osteopathic Association House of  
14 Delegates.

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17 Approved as Amended