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**AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION**

**PHILADELPHIA BAR ASSOCIATION**

**REPORT TO THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES**

**RESOLUTION**

RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association, in conformity with the objective of ABA Goal IV to advance the rule of law by assuring meaningful access to justice for all persons, reaffirms its support of state and local bar association sponsored lawyer referral services;

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the American Bar Association encourages state and local bar association sponsored lawyer referral services to adhere to the standards of the American Bar Association Model Supreme Court Rules Governing Lawyer Referral and Information Services;

FURTHER RESOLVED, That before the American Bar Association, directly or through third party vendors, initiates any program that may result in an individual or business hiring an attorney for a fee, such program shall be fully vetted and approved by the House of Delegates. This provision is not intended to restrict the American Bar Association from initiating programs to provide pro bono services for indigent persons.