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**Resolution on
Enhancing Legislative Co-operation among AIPA Member Parliaments on
Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases**

The 35th AIPA General Assembly,

Recalling United Nations Resolution 66/2, dated September 19, 2011, in the Political Declaration of the High-Level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs); the Bandar Seri Begawan Declaration on Non-Communicable Diseases in ASEAN, adopted at the 23rd ASEAN Summit on October 9, 2013; the resolution adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on July 10, 2014, and the outcomes of the High-Level Meeting of the United Nations General Assembly on the comprehensive review and assessment of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of NCDs, especially paragraphs 34 and 35; and the WHO Global NCDs Action Plan 2013-2020;

Noting that NCDs constitute one of the major challenges for global development in the twenty-first century, threaten the achievement of agreed international development goals and pose challenges to socio-economic growth, which may result in more inequalities among ASEAN countries;

Mindful that there is a strong need for further action and more extensive measures at the national, regional and global levels to prevent and control NCDs;

Desiring to enhance AIPA cooperation to urge the ASEAN governments and peoples to do more in relation to the prevention and control of NCDs;

Hereby resolves to:

Call upon AIPA Member Parliaments to encourage, facilitate and oversee more coordinated strategy and action plan by ASEAN governments towards the prevention and control of NCDs especially in the areas of public education, sharing experiences, codes of conduct, joint action and responses to emerging threats;

Appeal to ASEAN Member States to consider the establishment of a multi-sectoral scheme on the Prevention and Control of NCDs and to coordinate mutual assistance in relation to human resources development in the health sector in the field of NCDs;

Support respective governments to allocate appropriate resources to facilitate the ASEAN, regional, national and subnational action plans to prevent and control NCDs;

Urge ASEAN to enhance awareness and develop health literacy among ASEAN people about healthy lifestyles and create an enabling environment that makes healthy lifestyle choices accessible, affordable, and sustainable.

Urge respective governments to monitor NCDs and their risk factors through public reporting on the status of the nine voluntary global targets on NCDs prevention and control;

Support the role of the World Health Organization in coordinating, monitoring and evaluating the situation and progress as well as providing important technical assistance on NCDs prevention and control at the national, regional and global levels;

Encourage active participation by individuals, families, community networks, organizations and media in implementing and promoting the laws and regulations and governments' action plans to prevent and control NCDs.

Adopted on the day of the Nineteenth of September, Two Thousand and Fourteen at the 35th AIPA General Assembly, in Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic.