

## ARIZONA PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION

## RESOLUTION: ARIZONA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS

## RESOLUTION NO. 95-1

- WHEREAS, There is a continuing need in Arizona to improve access to health care in rural and medically underserved areas through education and training;
- WHEREAS, The education and training mission of Arizona's AHECs is fulfilled primarily through an emphasis on recruitment and retention of health providers emphasizing primary care in rural and other medically underserved areas;
- WHEREAS, There is a critical need for on-site continuing education (based on local demand) and the provision of computer and library support services for health care providers in Arizona's communities however remote their location;
- WHEREAS, Seven national evaluations of AHECs have demonstrated these programs to be cost effective means of assuring the improved minority representation and availability of health care professions in rural and medically underserved areas;
- WHEREAS, The Arizona AHEC System has been nationally recognized as one of the best programs in the country; and
- WHEREAS, The Arizona Public Health Association previously passed at its Annual Meeting of September 17, 1987, Resolution 87-3, titled "Arizona Health Education Centers;

NOW, THEREFORE,

The Arizona Public Health Association fully supports and endorses the restoration of state appropriated support to continue the programs and services of Arizona's AHEC System as has been accomplished in other states of this country.

Passed by Membership  
AzPHA Annual Meeting 9/14/95

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Pat Zurick, Executive Secretary