AEROSPACE/MEDICAL ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION 02-03

TRAINING IN AVIATION AEROSPACE MEDICINE FOR MEDICAL ADVISERS TO AIR MEDICAL TRANSPORT UNITS.

WHEREAS: Aviation/aerospace medicine is the medical specialty dealing with the physiological and psychological aspects of the human response to flight; and,

WHEREAS: Before applying medical knowledge to the special problems of flight and considering the suitability of transporting a patient by air, the physician must first understand the aviation environment and its interaction with the human being and human pathology; and,

WHEREAS: Air medical transport units have a duty of care to staff members, passengers and patients being transported.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Aerospace Medical Association strongly recommends that all commercial and non-commercial organizations planning or performing aeromedical transport should have and utilize the expertise of health professionals trained in aviation/aerospace medicine.