

**AEROSPACE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
RESOLUTION 05-X**

RESTORE FUNDING OF NASA AERONAUTICS RESEARCH

WHEREAS: Research conducted at NASA Langley and NASA Ames has made U.S. aeronautics research and testing the envy of the world for more than 88 years. If recently proposed budget cuts take place, American aviation will be unable to retain this advantage in the future; and,

WHEREAS: Over the last decade, funding for NASA's aeronautics research has declined by more than half. In addition, the president's budget proposes to cut aeronautics research by 20 percent over the next five years; and,

WHEREAS: The United States is losing critical expertise in aeronautics research and development. This degradation will have a tragic impact on military and civilian aviation, which contributes significantly to our country's national defense and economy; and,

WHEREAS: The U.S. military has benefited tremendously from NASA aeronautics research. Every aviation asset in the military's inventory was designed with the help of NASA's experts; and,

WHEREAS: The administration's lack of vision for aeronautics programs is contributing to a detrimental lack of strategic planning for the future of America's aeronautics research and testing. We cannot afford to lose aeronautics programs that are vital to our country's national defense and economy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That aeronautics funding should be restored and action should be taken to ensure that aeronautics maintains a pivotal role in NASA.