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## **PAFP lauds House Health Committee passage of H.R. 625**

*(HARRISBURG, PA. Sept. 2, 2020)* Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP) President Tracey Conti, MD today thanked Chair Rapp, minority Chair Frankel, resolution sponsor Rep. Paul Schemel and all the members of the House Health Committee for unanimously passing House Resolution 625. The resolution now goes to the full House for consideration.

“On behalf of our more than 5,500 physician, resident and student members across the Commonwealth, we thank the leaders and members of the House Health Committee for their support of House Resolution 625,” said Dr. Conti.

Building on the important findings that resulted from a 2015 study on physician shortages in Pennsylvania, H.R. 625 would direct the Joint State Government Commission to conduct a study on the efforts of medical schools to promote primary care among their students and include primary care experiences as part of the curriculum in order to expand the state’s primary care workforce. It also attempts to address disparities in populations represented in medicine and increase diversity in those seeking to enter family medicine.

“We look forward to working with House Leadership and our members to get H.R. 625 on the House calendar for a full vote, so this important work can begin,” said Dr. Conti.

The Pennsylvania Academy of Family Physicians and its Foundation is a physician-led organization committed to advancing quality healthcare through advocacy, education, workforce development and commitment to the patients we serve. For over 70 years and with over 6,000 physician, resident and student members, the Academy and its Foundation’s core values are visionary leadership, integrity, and community.

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