MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SOCIETY HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Title: Memorial Resolution for Barbara Herbert, MD
Sponsor: Middlesex District Medical Society
Olivia Liao, MD President

Whereas, Barbara Herbert MD was born on August 17, 1948 and was a resident of Cambridge and passed on April 23, 2022; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert was a graduate with honors from Stony Brook University School of Medicine; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert completed her residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania and a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard University; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert was an expert in the field of Emergency Medicine and Addiction Medicine with over thirty years of caring for patients, teaching, and mentoring physicians, and leading policy and regulatory organizations; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert had a passion for treating new mothers with Substance Use Disorder and was an outspoken advocate for the reduction of stigma associated with Mental Illness; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert served as president of the Massachusetts Society of Addiction Medicine (MSAM) and served on the policy and legislative committee; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert joined the Massachusetts Medical Society and the Middlesex District on December 28, 1992; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert served on several MMS committees and/or task forces to include Violence Intervention & Prevention (Member & Vice Chair), Mental Health and Substance Use, Legislation, Public Health (Member & Advisor), LGBTQ Matters, Opioid Therapy & Physician Communication, House of Delegates, MMS Alliance & Charitable Foundation, Global Health, and the Task Force on Access to Medical Care; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert was a courageous champion of the vulnerable; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert was the recipient of the 2021 Community Clinician of the Year Award for Middlesex District; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert was a great friend, colleague, and mentor; and

Whereas, Dr. Herbert was the loving wife of Jean McGuire, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Massachusetts Medical Society note with great sadness the passing of Barbara Herbert, MD with thankfulness and gratitude for the gift of her life and works; and, be it further
RESOLVED, That expressions of condolence be forwarded with a copy of this Memorial Resolution to the Herbert family.