WHEREAS, prescription controlled substance medications have an important therapeutic role in patient care, and

WHEREAS, prescription controlled substances also have potential for abuse and addiction with serious health consequences,

WHEREAS, prescription controlled substances must only be utilized in patient care after careful and thorough practitioner evaluation,

WHEREAS, many health practitioners have concerns about issues of controlled substance abuse and addiction and the regulation of these substances by regulatory agencies,

WHEREAS, state and federal agencies responsible for regulating controlled substances are responsible for ensuring that health practitioners maintain compliance with controlled substance requirements when providing medical therapeutic treatment,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Association of State Controlled Substance Authorities communicate its support for education of health care practitioners by state and federal regulatory agencies concerning the regulation of controlled substances to each State's health professional associations.

ATTEST:__________________________

President

Date:_____________________________