



Official Call for Resolutions: All You Need To Know

What Is a Resolution?

It is a formal written call to action on a subject of great importance to members of ASNA. In other words this is an action members would like ASNA to pursue. Resolutions are often the source of action in developing positions on issues affecting nurses, nursing, and the needs of the public. Once the resolution is voted on and passed by the House of Delegates ASNA will try to implement in order to meet the needs of the association. Resolutions may be sent to other organizations, governmental agencies, or other individuals. The resolution process is one of the most important functions of the House of Delegates.

Call for Resolutions

Any ASNA member may research, write, and/or submit a resolution for consideration by the ASNA House of Delegates. Resolutions should be submitted to the Governance Committee through the ASNA office at 360 N. Hull St., Montgomery, AL 36104 by **JULY 1, 2018**. Only an emergency resolution will be accepted after the designated date, and is contingent on the ASNA President's approval.

Types of Resolutions

Resolutions are classified according to the following:

- **Substantive Resolution**, which deal with basic principles and policies of ASNA, or issues of statewide or national concerns of nurses as practitioners and citizens.
- **Courtesy Resolutions**, which give recognition to outstanding persons who have made especially valuable contributions to ASNA or the nursing profession.
- **Commemorative resolutions**, which deal with commemoration of important events or developments in nursing, allied professions, or government.
- **Emergency Resolutions**, which have significance for the association and require immediate action.

How is a Resolution Written?

A resolution has two parts – the “whereas” section and the “resolved” section. The “whereas” section is a series of single item, factual statements which present documentation of the need for the resolution. The “resolved” section is a series (or single) item action statement(s) of position by ASNA and is the actions by which the intended result will be obtained.