

**2002 alPHa RESOLUTION NO. A02 - 1**

**TITLE:           alPHa Membership Fee Structure**

**SPONSOR:       alPHa Board of Directors**

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Public Health Branch discontinued the funding of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) on April 1, 2001; and

**WHEREAS** the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Public Health Branch's contribution of funds amounted to 40 percent of alPHa's total operating budget; and

**WHEREAS** alPHa's role as representing Ontario's Boards of Health is not represented by any other association; and

**WHEREAS** alPHa's value to members in terms of cost savings through affinity programs, improved public health policy and legislation and the increased services being provided to Boards of Health is acknowledged; and

**WHEREAS** there is a recognized increased need for an association to represent, to facilitate discussion and policy development, to share information and to educate the membership across Ontario's Boards of Health; and

**WHEREAS** the number of issues that require a co-ordinated response on behalf of Boards of Health is increasing in scope and complexity; and

**WHEREAS** alPHa's Board of Directors has renewed the Association's strategic direction to focus the organization on increasing its centralized advocacy with the provincial government and other agencies where appropriate and co-ordinating Ontario's Boards of Health response to public health issues; and

**WHEREAS** other health associations similar in size and capacity as alPHa charge membership fees in excess of 300 percent more in relation to their members' budget size; and

**WHEREAS** the proposed increase to the membership fees will bring the average percentage of the association operating budget for professional/occupational associations congruent with other similar associations;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** membership fees charged to Boards of Health be increased retroactively effective April 1, 2002 as per the following schedule:

Board of Health Annual Budget*	Total Fee
up to \$4 M	\$ 3,700
\$4 M to \$7 M	\$ 5,000
\$7 M to \$12 M	\$ 7,000
\$12 M to \$20 M	\$ 9,000
\$20 M to \$30 M	\$ 11,000
\$30 M to \$50 M	\$ 13,000
over \$50 M	\$ 50,000

\*the amount of the membership fee is based on the current year's budget and only includes the portion of the budget used for public health services

**Action from Conference:**

**Moved:           P. Sutcliffe (Sudbury)**  
**Seconded:       J.C. Caron (Porcupine)**

**Carried**