

REVISED RESOLUTION PASSED BY A.A.A.P.

Whereas: - The U. S. Poultry and Cage and Aviary Bird industry have problems of mutual economic concern and consequences, and

Whereas: - The proposed National Cage and Aviary Bird Improvement Plan (NCA-BIP) provides the first of a series of steps with a modus operandi whereby breeders, producers and distributors of cage and aviary birds can significantly safeguard the health of their birds and provide protection against the ravages of Viscerotropic Velogenic Newcastle Disease, Chlamydiosis, Pacheco's Disease, Pox and other avian diseases, and

Whereas: - The proposed NCA-BIP would provide an incentive for the curtailment of the movement of illegally imported birds and encourage national uniformity of cage and aviary bird regulations, and

Whereas: - The proposed plan provides a framework modeled after the National Poultry Improvement Plan, fostering the development of credible health standards and procedures through direct involvement of industry, government and the scientific community, and

Whereas: - The AAAP has always manifested its interest in promoting the health and betterment of various avian species, and

Whereas: - The continued development of the NCA-BIP will require major professional input from Veterinary Services, U.S.D.A.

RESOLUTION:

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the AAAP endorses the concept of a voluntary National Cage and Aviary Improvement Plan (NCA-BIP), as proposed by the U. S. Animal Health Association, and further recommends assignment of Veterinary Services personnel and necessary resources to speed and advance the development and implementation of the NCA-BIP.