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**CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE IN
AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITIES IN CENTRAL AMERICA**

THE 52nd DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the concept paper *Chronic Kidney Disease in Agricultural Communities in Central America* (Document CD52/8);

Recalling the importance that the Member States place on the objective of achieving universal health coverage and equitable access to health services;

Aware of the Political Declaration of the High-level Meeting of the General Assembly of the United Nations on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases (A/66/L.1);

Recognizing the inordinate burden of chronic kidney disease in agricultural communities in Central America and that additional research is urgently needed to inform an evidence-based response;

Taking into account the Declaration of San Salvador, which recognizes this chronic kidney disease as a serious public health problem that requires urgent action;

Aware of the obligation of the Member States to provide a comprehensive, integrated, and solidarity-based response to the health problems of its populations,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the concept paper *Chronic Kidney Disease in Agricultural Communities in Central America*.
2. To urge the Member States, as appropriate, to:
 - (a) support the Declaration of San Salvador, which recognizes chronic kidney disease from nontraditional causes in Central America as a serious public health problem;
 - (b) promote the design and implementation of domestic and regional research agendas for chronic kidney disease in order to bridge the knowledge gap;
 - (c) promote partnerships with other sectors of government, development agencies, civil society, affected communities, academia, private enterprise, and other interested parties, to coordinate efforts, mobilize resources, establish plans at the regional, national, and subnational levels, and promote sustainable, evidence-based public policies, programs and actions to mitigate, on an urgent basis, the health, social, and economic consequences of this disease;
 - (d) strengthen surveillance for chronic kidney disease, with emphasis on at-risk populations and communities;
 - (e) strengthen their capacities in environmental and occupational health and preventive interventions, including health education, taking into account the regulatory frameworks and international commitments and standards;
 - (f) strengthen health services to enhance quality of care and patient safety, the availability of human resources, medicines, and health technologies, and the financing of evidence-based services.
3. To request the Director to:
 - (a) continue to advocate for effective resource mobilization and to encourage Member States to play an active role in the implementation of this resolution;
 - (b) lend technical support to Member States to strengthen surveillance systems and facilitate advancement of research priorities for chronic kidney disease;
 - (c) promote the strengthening of countries' capabilities in regard to environmental and occupational health and preventive interventions, taking into account the regulatory frameworks and international commitments and standards;

- (d) support country efforts to take a comprehensive evidence-based approach to address chronic kidney disease, including human resource management and procurement mechanisms for medicines and other critical public health supplies, such as the PAHO Strategic Fund, in order to increase coverage, access, and quality of care;
- (e) continue to alert countries to the increased risk of chronic kidney disease in at-risk populations and communities;
- (f) submit a biennial progress report to the Governing Bodies on the implementation of this resolution.

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