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### **COON RAPIDS PHYSICIAN REELECTED MMA VICE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE**

**MINNEAPOLIS** — The Minnesota Medical Association has reelected Karen K. Dickson, M.D., of North Oaks, as vice speaker of the House of Delegates.

Dickson is a psychiatrist in private practice at Family Life Medical Center in Coon Rapids. She has been a trustee on the MMA Board of Trustees since 1997. She has served three terms on the MMA Executive Committee. She has been a delegate to the House of Delegates since 1996.

Dickson served eight years on the Board of the National Alliance of the Mentally Ill, MN Chapter (NAMI-MN), and won a national NAMI Exemplary Psychiatrist Award in 2005 for work and leadership on a paper recommending improvements in mental health care and correctional psychiatry in the Minnesota Department of Corrections.

The MMA is a professional organization representing about 10,000 physicians, fellows, residents, and medical students in Minnesota. The election was held September 19 during the MMA's 155<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in St. Paul.