RESOLUTION NUMBER: 13 and 39 Combined  APPROVED AS AMENDED

SOURCE:  COMMITTEE ON JOHNE'S DISEASE
           COMMITTEE ON TUBERCULOSIS

SUBJECT MATTER:  A MULTI-STATE INITIATIVE FOR MYCOBACTERIAL
                 DISEASES IN ANIMALS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Maintaining research and outreach programs is imperative to continued advancement of
diagnostics, vaccines, and methods to prevent Johne’s disease from devastating dairy cattle
herds. The Johne’s Disease Integrated Program (JDIP) has developed an excellent
research and outreach infrastructure that is effectively addressing these issues. This same
infrastructure is well positioned to help address other mycobacterial diseases including
bovine tuberculosis. The JDIP is currently in its final year of United States Department of
Agriculture, National Institute of Food and Agriculture Coordinated Agricultural Project
funding and is seeking ways to maintain parts of the existing infrastructure such as that used
for the mastitis multi-state initiative.

RESOLUTION:

The United States Animal Health Association requests that United States Department of
Agriculture, National Institute of Food Agriculture, and Experiment Station Directors support
the establishment of a multi-state initiative for mycobacterial diseases of animals.