The Chiropractic profession,

# PROCLAMATION

## a community that must aim for and achieve true respect for intra-professional differences: an essential condition for its survival.



For more details on what brought this Chiropractic Declaration, please read our discussion document including references: <u>Chiropractic Proclamation</u>

We invite you to read and support the following Declaration.

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### CHIROPRACTIC DECLARATION

For a stronger, diversified, open and inclusive chiropractic profession.

#### WHEREAS,

1. That the health and well-being of the patient, as well as the balance of the society in which she/he lives, are at the heart of our concerns.

2. That the chiropractic profession rests on philosophical, scientific and practical (art) bases and that knowledge evolves constantly.

3. That the pivot around which philosophy, science and the art of chiropractic are articulated is the chiropractic subluxation.

4. That chiropractic focuses on maintaining and restoring the health and optimal functional adaptation of each human being to her/his environment.

#### WE, UNDERSIGNED, RECOGNIZE THAT:

• Science is constantly evolving, that scientific theories are evolutionary; therefore, the understanding of the chiropractic subluxation is evolutionary.

• The Chiropractic subluxation is a clinically valid and contemporary concept, and its definition was, is, and will remain dynamic as science evolves.

• To deny the existence of the chiropractic subluxation, to move away from this concept, to refuse to deepen knowledge on this subject, to consider it only as a historical relic, constitutes the greatest threat to the identity and differentiation of chiropractic.

#### CONCLUSION

By this declaration, we affirm our will to live in a professional environment where rigor, open-mindedness, acceptance, respect of differences, encouragement and mutual help are the norm.

The chiropractic profession will be stronger, better understood by the public and better accepted by the interprofessional community by forming a united group, accepting the diversity that makes it so strong.

It is for all these reasons that we want to declare to the world that we have the great privilege of being a doctor of chiropractic.