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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

pursuant to Rule 143 of the Rules of Procedure

on supporting and promoting the spa sector

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on supporting and promoting the spa sector

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission communication of 13 May 2020 entitled ‘COVID-19: EU Guidance for the progressive resumption of tourism services and for health protocols in hospitality establishments’ (C(2020) 3251),
- having regard to Rule 143 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas spa tourism has always been an important part of the European tourism sector and has developed considerably in recent decades;
- B. whereas spa resorts are a major resource for European tourism and its landscape and, amongst other things, foster off-season tourism;
- C. whereas the spa sector has a long and well-established tradition in Italy, with almost 400 thermal establishments employing more than 60 000 people and generating an annual turnover of around EUR 800 million;
- D. whereas, like other sectors, the spa sector, too, has been severely affected by the recent economic crisis, experiencing a fall in turnover with regard to both spa treatments/holidays and the construction of new hospitality establishments or upgrading of existing ones;
- 1. Is of the view that a recovery plan for the spa sector should be promoted at European level with a view to promoting and boosting local economies more comprehensively.