

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: 08-24-C
SUBMITTED BY: 11th District
SUBJECT: Adequate Funding for Health Care Needs

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WHEREAS, In the ongoing and continuing global War on Terrorism, America is still a nation at war; and

WHEREAS, Our veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan bear the physical and mental wounds of war, justly deserving of the highest quality of medical care that a grateful nation can provide; and

WHEREAS, Current VA benefits for these returning veterans of the War on Terrorism remain severely under funded and, in many instances, are woefully inadequate in coverage, duration and compensation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Department Convention assembled in Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 19-22, 2008, That members of the U.S. Congress be strongly urged to aggressively support legislation that adequately funds the health care needs of our returning veterans, including the hiring of PTSD counselors to work with returning OEF/OIF veterans, and the hiring of claims adjudicators to help reduce the unacceptable claims backlogs.