

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: 08-3-F
SUBMITTED BY: Dept of MI VA & R Committee
SUBJECT: Female Comrades

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WHEREAS, The American Legion is the largest veterans organization in the State of Michigan and the leading advocate for veterans services we must take the lead in ensuring that no veteran is left out and that all veterans are treated with dignity and respect; and

WHEREAS, The State of Michigan has approximately 48,679 women veterans as of October, 2007, and has risen steadily over the year it is mandated that the Department of Michigan be informed of the special services and needs of our female comrades; and be it

RESOLVED, That the Department of Michigan continue its advocacy to secure appropriate facilities and resources for the diagnosis, care, and treatment of women veterans at all DVA hospitals and clinics and ensuring women veterans receive appropriate care in an appropriate environment; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That women veterans receive benefits and services on par with male veterans and that the V.A. are responsive to gender-specific needs of women veterans, women veterans are treated with dignity and respect, and to improve awareness of services and eligibility with outreach to womens; now, therefore, be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in Annual Department Fall Conference assembled in Midland, Michigan, September 26-28, 2008, That The American Legion, Department of Michigan, create a VA & R Special Advisory Committee to coordinate and to facilitate assistance to women veterans within the state and also provide communication within the Department as to the state of women veterans as pertains to the Veterans Affairs.