

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: 10-F-15

SUBMITTED BY: The American Legion, Department of Michigan

SUBJECT: Amend Department Bylaws, Article VIII, Duties and Powers of Department Officers, Section 1, subsection 3, Finance Officer

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Article VIII, Duties and Powers of Department Officers, Section 1, subsection e, Finance Officer, currently states: *"The Finance Officer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department. He shall pay out money only on vouchers properly signed by the Department Commander and Department Adjutant, and only for such purposes as shall have been duly authorized. He shall keep a full and complete record of all transactions, including receipts and disbursements, and shall exhibit all records when requested to do so by any Department Officer or member of the Executive Committee or Finance/Personnel Committee"*.

"The Finance Officer of the Department, immediately upon his election, shall appoint an Assistant Finance Officer, whose powers and duties shall be such as may be prescribed by the Finance/Personnel Committee. The Assistant Finance Officer shall not be a member of the Department Executive Committee or of the Department Finance/Personnel Committee, except when delegated by the Finance Officer to represent him in attendance at meetings of these committees. The official financial records of the Department shall be kept at Department Headquarters"; and

WHEREAS, It is not practical for the Department Commander to properly sign vouchers in a timely fashion; and

WHEREAS, The Department Adjutant reviews every voucher that is submitted; and

WHEREAS, The Department Executive Committee shall maintain the right as the governing body of the Department to approve appointments; and

WHEREAS, The need for an Assistant for the Department Finance Officer is necessary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Department Fall Meeting assembled in Lansing, Michigan, September 18-20, 2015, that the Department Executive Committee recommend amending the Department Constitution and Bylaws at the 2016 Annual Convention, Article VIII, Section 1, subsection e, be changed to state: *"The Finance Officer shall be the custodian of the funds of the Department. He shall pay out money only on vouchers properly*