

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: 13-W-3

SUBMITTED BY: The American Legion, Department of Michigan

SUBJECT: The Creation of the Michigan Legion Foundation as a 501(c)3

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WHEREAS, The American Legion is an organization of wartime veterans who have dedicated themselves “to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy”; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Legion is the largest veterans service organization in the State of Michigan committed to the Four Pillars: Veterans, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth; and

WHEREAS, The veterans’ population and the membership of The American Legion, Department of Michigan, continues to decrease; and

WHEREAS, Revenue for the operations and programs within the Department continues to decrease year over year; and

WHEREAS, New forms of revenue need to be pursued to fund the various programs of the Michigan Legion, like the Veterans Service Office and their staff, Boys State, Oratorical, Junior Shooting, and Baseball; and

WHEREAS, Criteria for available funding grants requires the organization to be a 501(c)3 corporation to be eligible; and

WHEREAS, Organizations are not comfortable giving to a 501(c)19 organization due to the lack of understanding; and