

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: 7-10-C  
SUBMITTED BY: 2<sup>nd</sup> District, The American Legion, Department of Michigan  
SUBJECT: Books for V.A. Hospital Waiting Rooms

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WHEREAS, In keeping with the spirit of "Veterans Helping Veterans"; and

WHEREAS, Every day, in hundreds of waiting room areas in V.A. Hospitals and V.A. Clinics across the state of Michigan, thousands of American veterans sit awaiting their turn for treatment; and

WHEREAS, To pass the time away they look for something to read, only to find there is nothing but old magazines brought in from home by the Voluntary Service workers; and

WHEREAS, Having nothing to do and nothing interesting to read, these veterans can only sit and dwell on how bad they feel; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the American Legion should provide an adequate supply of reading material for the waiting room areas of Michigan V.A. Hospitals and their outlying V.A. Clinics; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this reading material be of a humorous, laugh provoking and uplifting nature, designed to take the veteran patient's mind off their physical problems while they wait for treatment; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this endeavor should be called the American Legion "LIGHT" Program because the five letters in the word "LIGHT" refer to the proven fact that Laughter Is Great Healing Therapy; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That once a year, beginning in January, 2011, JCL Enterprises of Temperance, Michigan, will deliver to each V.A. Hospital in Michigan, one hundred copies of a different booklet fitting the above description, coil-

bound to a clear front 8-1/2 x 11 inch cover, along with instructions for Voluntary Services to send at least one copy to each of their outlying Clinics and to place the rest in the waiting room areas of the hospital; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That these booklets shall be paid for by The American Legion, Department of Michigan, at a delivered cost not to exceed twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) per booklet, with that price being renegotiated every five (5) years, and that this agreement with JCL Enterprises may be terminated by either party, with thirty (30) days written notice, any time after February 1, 2011; and be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, By the American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Department Convention, assembled in Dearborn, Michigan, June 17-20, 2010, that the American Legion, Department of Michigan, accepts this resolution as indicated.