

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

**RESOLUTION:** 18-C-13

**SUBMITTED BY:** Department of Michigan 11<sup>th</sup> District

**SUBJECT:** VA & R Service Officers Attending District Meetings

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**WHEREAS,** Each District within the Department of Michigan holds at least four (4) meetings per year for American Legion Posts within their Districts; and

**WHEREAS,** These quarterly meetings are attended by representatives of American Legion Posts within their District for the purpose of being updated on the current affairs and events affecting all veterans within the Department of Michigan and the National Organization; and

**WHEREAS,** The U.P. Association of American Legion Posts and Districts 11 and 12 within the Association have not had representation by a Department Veterans Service Officer for a period of time; and

**WHEREAS,** The Department Veterans Service Officer assigned to District 11 was told not to attend the 11<sup>th</sup> District Meetings as there are no funds appropriated in the budget for her time and travel; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** That the Department of Michigan, along with the Department Veterans and Rehabilitation Office require a Veterans Service Officer attend at least two (2) District meetings each year for the purpose of providing a Veterans Service Officer's program; and, be it further

**RESOLVED,** That monies be appropriated for the time and travel for the Department Veterans Service Officer's attendance in order that Legionnaires in each District can be brought up to date on the latest developments within the VA & R program in order to better serve their American Legion Posts and fellow veterans at the local level; and, be it finally

**RESOLVED,** By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Department Convention assembled in Kalamazoo, Michigan, June 21, 2018, That this resolution be approved.