RESOLUTION: 18-C-15

SUBMITTED BY: Internal Affairs Committee

SUBJECT: Current/Future Technology Voting by Committees

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WHEREAS, The Rules and Procedures of the American Legion Standing Committees, Subcommittees and Ad Hoc Committees, and their members, are a collective group of members in good standing of The American Legion; and

WHEREAS, These committee members are in different areas of the state and committee member votes on respective committee issues and resolutions are often needed outside of regularly scheduled Department meetings; and

WHEREAS, Some Department of Michigan committees allow different types of voting processes for committee business; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That all committees will be allowed to use current technologies available to its members, to include but not limited to: email, telephone, Skype, Facetime, conference calling, webinar/video chat; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That all voting conducted via email will include the Department Commander, Department Adjutant and Chairman of Internal Affairs in all requests for votes, responses and final disposition of the vote. All other forms of voting will encompass a transcript of the request and disposition of the committee’s votes to be forwarded to the State Commander, State Adjutant and the Department Chairman of Internal Affairs within five (5) days of said vote close; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a Department-wide change to all Committee Rules of Procedures be made to reflect the allowance of said voting to embrace the technology of today and future technological advances to assist those members to continue to communicate and vote accordingly, within their respective committees; 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.