

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

Resolution Number: #25 - 29

Submitted By: Internal Affairs

Subject: Create an Ad Hoc Committee to Recognize and Promote Events for America's Semiquincentennial (America 250)

WHEREAS, In 2026 The United States will celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Signing of the Declaration of Independence; and

WHEREAS, The National Organization has created a Special Committee to promote activities, fundraisers, and awareness of this milestone; and

WHEREAS, Every state in the country has created an America 250 committee including Michigan's, America250MI; and

WHEREAS, Local communities and patriotic organizations are encouraged to participate; and

WHEREAS, As the nation and states largest veterans' organization Michigan American Legion has a personal stake in being involved in the celebration; and

WHEREAS, The preamble of The American Legion states that we will "foster and perpetuate and one hundred percent Americanism" and "preserve the memories and incidents in all wars," specifically calling for The American Legion to be involved in this historic event; and

WHEREAS, Once established the committee should present the resolution provided on the America250MI to the DEC for approval, get enrolled as an organization tied into America250MI and also notify the national organization of our ad hoc committee, and if possible attempt to get a seat on the committee for America250MI; now therefor be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan at the Department Fall Conference in Battle Creek, Michigan September 26-28, 2025, that The Department of Michigan immediately create an Ad Hoc Committee to assist in promoting the 250th anniversary of The Declaration of Independence. This committee to remain in effect until July 5, 2026; and be it further;

RESOLVED,

The Department Commander and the Department Adjutant shall make all of the changes required by this resolution.

Approved