

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: #23-2

SUBMITTED BY: 4th District

SUBJECT: Authorize Department To Pay Per Diem and Travel Cost for The American Legion National Convention to Each Authorized Michigan Delegate

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The American Legion holds a National Convention on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, Each Department in The American Legion is expected to be represented at the National Convention through its delegate representatives; and

WHEREAS, The delegates are to be at the site of the National Convention during the dates of the National Convention; and

WHEREAS, The convention organization of the National Convention assigns housing on a Department basis, where the delegates are obligated to stay during the National Convention; and

WHEREAS, The cost of travel, housing and food is more often than not prohibitive for a number of Legionnaires/delegates; and

WHEREAS, The cost is neither borne by National or Department and the responsibility of funding these costs lies with the delegate; and

WHEREAS, Due to costs, many delegate slots go unfulfilled; and

WHEREAS, Department must pay registration costs for any unfulfilled slots at a cost to the Department; and

WHEREAS, Only a few of the seats on the floor for the Department of Michigan are filled at a National Convention, showing little support by the Department of Michigan for a National Convention; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in annual Winter Meeting, assembled in Lansing, Michigan, February 11-12, 2023, That The American Legion, Department of Michigan approve budgeting and paying a per diem and travel cost, at a rate determined on an annual basis; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the per diem and travel cost amount be set at each Department of Michigan Convention, by the delegates of said convention, for that same year's National Convention; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That each Department of Michigan National Convention delegate receiving per diem and/or travel cost from the Department of Michigan must be present at the assigned Convention Committee meeting, the Michigan Caucus, and be present on the National Convention floor at least 75% of the time the National Convention is in session; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the delegates will be seated with the Michigan delegation, unless official business requires delegate to be elsewhere; and, be it

FINALLY RESOLVED, There will be no duplication of payments for any delegate who also receives a call-in for a National appointed committee.

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