**THE AMERICAN LEGION**

**DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA**

**1601 7TH STREET, SANGER, CA 93657-280**

**103rd Annual Department Convention, Visalia, California**

 **June 23-26, 2022**

**Department Resolution No. \_2022-017\_\_**

# Subject: Creation of a Women Veterans Committee

# RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, women currently make up approximately 10% of the overall veteran population; and

WHEREAS, women makeup 14.4% of the active duty, 17.9% of reserve and guard forces and are increasing

each passing year; and

WHEREAS, there are medical concerns unique to women requiring medical training, experience and staffing

specifically dedicated to these concerns and which do not receive the appropriate level of VA visibility,

attention and commitment; and

WHEREAS, there exist Military Sexual Trauma and Post Traumatic Stress which are specific to the physical

requirements of women that are not being addressed by the current VA business model; and

WHEREAS, it is important that The American Legion, Department of California take a leadership role in

representing its women members and in bringing the need for significantly increased attention to the medical

needs of women veterans to the persons, departments and entities with the authority and means to address these

needs and improve women veterans medical attention; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, that at The American Legion Department of California Convention assembled in Visalia,**

**California on June 24 -26, 2022, a Women Veterans Committee be created in order to efficiently advocate**

**for the needs of Women Veterans; and be it further**

**RESOLVED, this Women Veteran Committee be empowered to encourage local, state and Federal**

**representatives to seek an equitable and prompt resolution to the short comings of VA Service to women**

**within the VA Medical System.**

This is to certify that the above resolution was adopted by Post, District, Department

\_\_\_James Cragg\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_6/18/2022\_\_\_\_ \_\_Clayton Niles\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_6/18/2022\_\_

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\_\_\_Jennifer Campbell\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_5/23/2022\_\_ \_\_Benjamin Gibson\_\_\_\_\_\_\_5/23/2022\_

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