

This Resolution was a Committee generated Resolution at the 2023 Department of California Convention Visalia, CA on 23-25, 2023.

This is the result of the Resolution:

Resolution Number: 2023-023

Title of Resolution: \_\_\_\_\_ Aerospace Commission Drone Soccer / UAV Pilot Program\_\_\_\_\_

Convention Standing Committee Assignment: Aerospace Committee

Committee Recommendations: Adopt

**Action on the Floor:** The Resolution was presented on the floor by the Committee and was Adopted by the Convention. The Resolution is being handled by Department

### THE AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA

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## 104<sup>th</sup> Department of California Convention, 23-25 June 2023

Visalia, CA, 93291

## Department Resolution No. 2023-023 Subject: Aerospace Commission Drone Soccer / UAV Pilot Program Origin: Aerospace Convention Committee Submitted By: Amado C Salinas II

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, While the Aerospace programs by federal and state entities, are both governmental and private, and have existed since 1941; and

WHEREAS, During the period since the 911 attack on America, the Aerospace Programs have accomplished little in providing veterans an opportunity to explore advances in Drone Technology in their lives; and

WHEREAS, There is a need to have qualified individuals enter our military that have proven high Armed Services Aptitude Battery Score (ASVAB), this test measures knowledge and acquired skills, as opposed to other test which measure achievements scores thus allowing them to enter the higher advanced aerospace field of our Armed Services; and

WHEREAS, here is a need to recruit younger veterans with families into the American Legion in the local communities, and by implementing a Drone-Soccer/ UAV Pilot Training program; and

WHEREAS, An opportunity presents itself to be able to provide training and leverage new Technologies for the youth of America; and

WHEREAS, There is no known active Drone Technology Program in the American Legion to include Post or District levels, or Veteran Training Centers to help rehabilitate or provide technical training in the field in Unmanned Autonomous Vehicles (UAV) in private or government applications for various agencies; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion at the Post level would provide a means of location and facilities for an Aerospace Drone Soccer /UAV Pilot program; and

WHEREAS, The AMERICAN LEGION would be able to provide facilities or site locations for DRONE Soccer or Drone Flight Schools for our Veterans and youth; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion and family members are poised to lead in the UAV Drone Technology facility training sites across America; and,

WHEREAS, The best initial interaction between the youth and community, would be a Veteran mentor, where their learning would ensure they maximize the resources. A mentor corps of Legionnaires trained in the multi-faceted strategies and the high-level operational skills of DRONE Soccer/ UAV Pilot Program thus providing the public, community, and veteran family members awareness in Drone Soccer or Drone (UAV) Piloting; and

WHEREAS, Private Drone-Soccer and UAV Pilot programs have been made available and can implemented at the Post level at reasonable investment and the funding is available thru various STEM Programs or self-funded at no cost to the American Legion. Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, By the American Legion in the Department of California 104<sup>th</sup> Convention, assembled in Visalia, California, on June 23-25, 2022, that a program be adopted to provide and develop a Drone Soccer/UAV Drone Pilot Program to youth and veterans in the local community, and veteran family members.