

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

Resolution Number: #8-2019

Submitted By: 19th District

Subject: **Update Rules of Procedure for Department Convention**

WHEREAS, There is currently no standing rule regarding the process of balloting when three (3) or more candidates are running for an office in the DEC; and

WHEREAS, This needs to be addressed to allow for the proper and fair election of said candidates; and

WHEREAS, A candidate must receive a majority (51%) of the ballots to be duly elected to an office in accordance with Department bylaws; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the DEC change the Convention Rules of Procedure to state that in the event of three (3) or more candidates running for an elected office to read that the ballots be cast in accordance with applicable bylaws and, that should a candidate not receive the required majority (51%), that the candidate receiving the lower number of votes shall be removed from the ballot; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the DEC shall then vote on the reduced ballot, and should it be required again; remove the candidate receiving the smallest number of ballots again so as to insure that the election is conducted in accordance with applicable bylaws; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the DEC shall insure that all elections shall be held and conducted in accordance with the bylaws and procedures of The American Legion, Department of Michigan, insuring and allowing for a fair election for each office; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in Annual Department Fall Conference assembled in Muskegon, Michigan, September 21-23, 2018, That The American Legion, Department of Michigan, shall change the Rules of Procedure for Convention in regards to more than two (2) candidates running for an office in the DEC.