

THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN

Resolution Number: #11-2019

Submitted By: Membership Committee, Department of Michigan

Subject: **Authorization of DMS member transfers with contract**

WHEREAS, There are more than nine thousand Post 225/DMS members in Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Statistics show that members are more likely to be retained and renew membership if they belong to a local Post; and

WHEREAS, Members that are transferred into local Posts are willing to work within the Post and within their local community; and

WHEREAS, More members transferred into local Posts furthers the opportunity for more leadership, more post participation in programs and a growth incentive within all districts; and

WHEREAS, Posts have the right to accept transfers into their Posts, as they are the judges of their own membership; and

WHEREAS, All inter Department transfers of members are currently performed at the Department headquarters; and

WHEREAS, The Membership Committee in Michigan has drafted and approved a contract allowing Posts to vote to allow Post 225 DMS with Request to Transfers to be automatically transferred into their Post; and

WHEREAS, Several other Departments in the organization are currently utilizing a similar contract and program which has shown enhanced Posts participation and membership, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Michigan, in Annual Department Winter meeting assembled in Flint, Michigan, February 15-17, 2019, That The American Legion, Department of Michigan, approve the DMS and Request to Transfer contract between Posts and the Department of Michigan; which is attached as Addendum A; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, The Department of Michigan shall retain all transfer paperwork for one year as mandated by the National organization.