

**PENDING DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

**RESOLUTION**

**The American Legion, Department of Ohio  
Department Executive Committee  
15 April 2020**

RESOLUTION NO. 20-19

SUBJECT: To Exercise Article V Section I of The American Legion Department of Ohio Constitution

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON: Department Executive Committee

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**WHEREAS**, The American Legion Department of Ohio Constitution, Article V Section 1 requires the Department of Ohio Convention to be held annually; and

**WHEREAS**, On April 9, 2020, The American Legion National Executive Committee (NEC) adopted National Resolution No. 3, which cancelled the 2020 National Convention due to the worldwide coronavirus pandemic, also known as COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, National Resolution No. 3, adopted by The American Legion National Executive Committee strongly urges that all American Legion department follow a similar course of action; and

**WHEREAS**, The President of the United States, on account of the COVID-19 pandemic, has declared a National Disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, The Governor of the State of Ohio declared in Executive Order #2020-01D on March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020, that the state of Ohio is in a public health emergency as a result of COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, The Director of Ohio Department of Health issued a "Stay At Home Order" for all persons in Ohio unless they are engaged in essential work or activity as defined in the order and it also prevents mass gatherings defined as ten (10) or more persons; and

**WHEREAS**, In Article V, Section 1, Paragraph II of the Department Constitution it states that "In the event that it becomes impossible or impracticable to hold a Department Convention in the City selected by previous conventions, the Department Executive Committee may change the site and time of any Convention by a three-fourths vote of the said Department Executive Committee, if conditions necessitate, said vote may be taken by electronic communication (telephone, email, fax)"; and

**WHEREAS**, A physical gathering of the members of The American Legion at the Department Convention would be in conflict with the restrictions set forth by local, state and federal authorities and therefore place our members at an unnecessary health, safety and medical risk; and, now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, That The American Legion Department of Ohio Executive Committee by a three-fourths vote in emergency session by electronic video conference on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020, finds that it is impossible and impractical to schedule a 2020 Department Convention on a date certain and hereby postpones said convention until a date to be determined, upon the lifting of the governmental restrictions on the size of gatherings and a finding by the Department Executive Committee that convening such convention would not pose an undue risk to the health and safety of those persons attending said convention.

Origin: Department Executive Committee

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Other Action  
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**WHEREAS**, The 2017 American Legion Department of Ohio Convention selected the Park Inn by Radisson, which is located in Toledo, Ohio to be the site of 2020 The American Legion Department of Ohio Convention; and

**WHEREAS**, On March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020, The American Legion Department of Ohio Headquarters discovered that the Park Inn by Radisson was purchased by another management company which will not honor the signed contract between The American Legion Department of Ohio and the Park Inn by Radisson; and

**WHEREAS**, Article V, Section I of The American Legion Department of Ohio Constitution states that, "In the event it becomes impossible or impracticable to hold a Department Convention in a city selected by previous Conventions the Department Executive Committee may change the site and time of any Convention by a three-fourths vote of the said Department Executive Committee"; and

**WHEREAS**, The Park Inn by Radisson is no longer in operation, therefore it is impossible to hold the 2020 Department Convention at the selected location; and

**WHEREAS**, The Department Adjutant and the Department Convention Corps solicited bids from various sites across all regions of the State of Ohio and recommends that The 2020 Department Convention be held on July 17, 2020 to July 20, 2020 at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati, Ohio; and, now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, By The American Legion Department of Ohio, at the Department Executive Committee in Delaware, Ohio on \_\_\_\_\_, That The American Legion Department of Ohio finds that it is impossible to hold the 2020 Department Convention at The Park Inn by Radisson in Toledo, Ohio scheduled on June 26, 2020 to June 30, 2020; and be it finally

**RESOLVED**, That The American Legion Department of Ohio will exercise Article V, Section 1, Paragraph 2 to declare the \_\_\_\_\_(hotel name)\_\_\_\_\_, located in Columbus, Ohio to be the site of the 2020 Department Convention which is to be scheduled on \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

Origin: Department Convention Corps

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