

**THIRTY FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
August 29, 30, 31, September 1, 1949**

**Resolution No. 348: Let Theodore Roosevelt, Jr. be Elected Past National Commander of
The American Legion**

Origin: Georgia

Submitted By: Convention Committee on Internal Affairs

WHEREAS, In February, 1919, the late General Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., first proposed the organization of an association of American veterans of World War I; and

WHEREAS, General Roosevelt began organizing The American Legion in the United States immediately upon his return from overseas, opened an office in New York and laid the plans for a caucus at St. Louis on May 18, 1919; and

WHEREAS, For the remainder of his life General Roosevelt was keenly interested in The American Legion and the principles for which it stands; and

WHEREAS, General Roosevelt gave his life in defense of his country and the great principles of justice, freedom and democracy in World War II; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 29, 30, 31, September 1, 1949, That the late General Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., be nominated and elected past national commander of The American Legion posthumously by unanimous vote of said national convention assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 29-September 1, 1949.