

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Indianapolis, Indiana
May 2-4, 1956**

Resolution No. 42: The American Legion Distinguished Service Medal be Awarded to Vice Admiral Joel T. Boone

Origin: Trophies and Awards Committee

Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission

WHEREAS, The general welfare and rehabilitation of sick and disabled veterans of all wars of the United States has always been the main objective of The American Legion, and is of the utmost importance to every Legionnaire; and

WHEREAS, For the past several years the chief medical officer of the Veterans Administration of the United States has been the Honorable Vice Admiral Joel T. Boone, a native son of Saint Clair, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, now retired; and

WHEREAS, During his administration the care of our disabled veterans who were in need of hospitalization was always utmost in his mind and he insisted that the best of care be administered to all veterans by the officials, physicians, and nurses of the various Veterans Administration hospitals; and

WHEREAS, We have found that at all times Admiral Boone had been a real friend for the disabled veterans and has continuously fought all enemies of free hospitalization for veterans in need of this service from a grateful government; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 2-4, 1956, That The American Legion approve the petition of The American Legion, Department of Pennsylvania, in order that a Distinguished Service Certificate and The American Legion's Distinguished Service Medal be awarded to the Honorable Vice Admiral Joel T. Boone at the next National Convention of The American Legion.