

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
October 12-13, 2022
Indianapolis, Indiana**

**Resolution No. 7: American Legion Family Day
Origin: Internal Affairs Commission
Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, The founding fathers of The American Legion established their principles through the creation of the Four Pillars of The American Legion, which are Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth programs; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion through resolve urges all members of The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary, the American Legion Riders, and the Sons of The American Legion, known collectively as the American Legion Family, to assist in carrying on efforts in their locales by developing plans in support of the Four Pillars by remaining informed and assisting veterans, families, schools, workplaces and communities in their time of need; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Family continues to remain steadfast in their commitment to these principles in meeting the ever-expanding needs of their local communities throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is increasing their efforts to reduce the number of veteran suicides by promoting a program titled, “Be The One,” and encouraging all members of the American Legion Family to participate by raising awareness and funds to donate to charities that assist in the prevention of veteran suicide; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion Family is an integral component supporting those in need within their local communities and does so in an unselfish manner without want of notice, personal gain or recognition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 12-13, 2022, That a special day known as “American Legion Family Day” be established and observed annually on the last Saturday of April, when all American Legion posts throughout the nation would open their doors to their members and the members of their local communities with the intent of celebrating all great deeds and works of the American Legion Family with the intent to educate, recruit, recognize and to give back to those members that continually support the gift of giving; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the American Legion Family shall place special emphasis and awareness on the “Be The One” program on American Legion Family Day.