

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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**Resolution No. 26: National Flight Academy Educational Program
Origin: Resolution No. 4 (FL) 2014 National Convention
Submitted by: Americanism Commission**

WHEREAS, The American Legion is an organization that supports the mentoring of America's youth through nationally recognized educational programs dedicated to the development of our nation's future leaders by focusing on engaging children in educational programs, building Americanism, commitment, and leadership; and

WHEREAS, The National Flight Academy (NFA) located in Pensacola, Florida, is a subsidiary of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation; and

WHEREAS, The NFA is an educational activity authorized but not endorsed or financially supported by the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, The NFA is a self-supporting, tuition-based educational program; and

WHEREAS, The NFA is designed to address the serious concerns of the declining Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) skills and standards in our country; and

WHEREAS, The NFA's mission is to inspire students through immersive aviation themed learning objectives, who subsequently return to their parent schools and seek out the more challenging STEM courses; and

WHEREAS, The National Flight Academy teaches important 21st century skills including critical thinking, problem solving, teamwork and communication through 6-day "Deployment" and 3-day "Cruise" programs designed to utilize these principles to excite children about STEM related careers; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion and the National Flight Academy have the same common goal in supporting the mentoring and development of our nation's youth by engaging, inspiring and educating them on the importance of expanding their educational potential to be ready to embrace their futures; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 15-16, 2014, That The American Legion National Organization proudly commends the National Flight Academy for its noteworthy, creative and engaging educational program; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That a commendation is done at no cost to The American Legion and withholds all grants of authority to use The American Legion's name and/or trademark without specific authority, except in fair-use reporting of this resolution.