

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Indianapolis, Indiana
May 8-9, 1985**

**Resolution No. 15: Retirement of Official Membership Awards
Origin: Membership & Post Activities Committee
Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, The below listed official membership awards have been established by National Executive Committee action; and

WHEREAS, A survey of all departments indicated these awards are no longer effective; and

WHEREAS, These awards do not coincide with the new method of determining department membership goals and do not promote positive membership growth; and

WHEREAS, The national Membership & Post Activities Committee recommended to the national Trophies Awards and Ceremonials Committee that these awards either be amended to coincide with the new method for setting goals or be retired from competition; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 8-9, 1985, That the following official membership awards be retired from competition and be permanently displayed in the Emil A. Blackmore Museum, located in the National Headquarters of The American Legion: Membership and Post Activities Trophy; Alvin M. Owsley National Trophy; Henry L. Stevens, Jr. Trophy; Hanford MacNider Trophy; John R. Quinn Trophy; John C. Emery Trophy; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the conditions for winning the North Carolina Trophy be amended to read, "The North Carolina Trophy is to be awarded annually to that Department thereof not included in the several State Departments or the Department of the District of Columbia, that has the highest percentage of increase over its previous year's final membership, by the close of business March 31 each year"; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the action taken on the above-mentioned awards become effective with the 1986 membership year.