

**SIXTY-FOURTH NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Chicago, Illinois
August 24, 25, 26, 1982**

Resolution No. 456: Honoring George Washington

Origin: Washington

Submitted by: Convention Committee on Americanism

WHEREAS, George Washington, as Commander of the Colonial Army, as a member of the Continental Congress and the Constitutional Convention and as the first President of the United States, left the greatest amount of influence upon our free system of government of any man; and

WHEREAS, A letter published in the May 1982 issue of *The American Legion Magazine* calls attention to the fact that the February issue of the magazine carried no tribute to George Washington; and

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives has discontinued the February reading of his Farewell Address and that no President since Truman has personally laid a wreath on his grave; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Chicago, Illinois, August 24, 25, 26, 1982, That The American Legion take the lead in restoring the honor due to the Father of our Country.