

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Indianapolis, Indiana  
October 20-21, 1971**

**Resolution No. 2: Get Out The Vote  
Origin: Americanism Commission  
Submitted by: Americanism Commission**

WHEREAS, The American Legion was placed on record at its Second Annual National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio in 1920, to urge all American Legion men to become qualified voters and fully discharge their patriotic duty; and

WHEREAS, Resolutions of similar content were adopted until the 1952 National Convention, New York City, August 24-28, 1952; and

WHEREAS, The 1952 National Convention adopted Resolution No. 136, providing an appropriate name (Get Out The Vote) for this campaign and there have been many resolutions adopted supporting this campaign to the present time; and

WHEREAS, In these critical times democracy can only be safeguarded by the active participation in elections by all enfranchised citizens, at the community, state and national levels; and

WHEREAS, The Get Out The Vote campaign is non-partisan in nature and has for its purpose the encouragement of all eligible citizens to participate in all elections; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 20-21, 1971, That The American Legion continue to support and endorse the Get Out The Vote campaign and that it encourage and recommend the active participation of all Legionnaires, individually and collectively, in said campaign within their respective communities.**