

**NINETY-EIGHTH NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Cincinnati, Ohio
August 30, 31, September 1, 2016**

Resolution No. 226: Rename the North Carolina Trophy the Jerry L. Hedrick Membership Award

Origin: North Carolina

Submitted by: Convention Committee on Internal Affairs

(As amended)

WHEREAS, The American Legion is made up of only veterans who honorably served their nation during a period of war; and

WHEREAS, The members of The American Legion have maintained a deep sense of pride in their respective military customs, courtesies and traditions; and

WHEREAS, The National Executive Committee established a membership award to recognize one of the foreign departments each year and established the name of this award as the North Carolina Trophy; and

WHEREAS, The Department of North Carolina wished to recognize one of its favorite sons who has left our midst with a fitting tribute to his long-lasting dedication to our great organizations; and

WHEREAS, We can think of no greater honor than to change the name of The North Carolina Trophy to the Jerry L. Hedrick Membership Award; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Cincinnati, Ohio, August 30, 31, September 1, 2016, That the North Carolina Trophy be renamed to the Jerry L. Hedrick Membership Award and that the criteria for qualification for this award remain as currently stated.