

**NINETY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Louisville, Kentucky  
August 25, 26, 27, 2009**

**Resolution No. 110: The American Legion Supports the Operation Homefront Organization**

**Origin: Convention Committee on Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation**

**Submitted by: Convention Committee on Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation**

WHEREAS, Founded in 2002, Operation Homefront is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides emergency and morale assistance for deployed service members, the families they leave behind and for wounded warriors when they return home; and

WHEREAS, With more than 4,500 volunteers and 30 chapters, Operation Homefront works with military families during deployments on a case-by-case basis to resolve issues ranging from home and auto repair to urgent financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, Operation Homefront provides assistance to active duty and activated Guard and Reserve families and primarily serve the families of service members in the rank of E-6 and below; and

WHEREAS, To be eligible for an Operation Homefront program, a service member submits a short financial application, proof of military service and additional documentation as requested to obtain assistance; and

WHEREAS, Operation Homefront also hosts special events throughout the year which includes the 9/11 Freedom Walk that The American Legion has supported in previous years nationwide by staffing a booth at the events to distribute veteran benefits information, assisting with veterans claims and benefits and participate in the walk; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is dedicated to assisting and supporting service members as well as promoting civic engagement to honor the family members of victims who died in the 9/11 terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, Operation Homefront provides specific assistance, services and programs separate from, but complementary to programs of The American Legion tailored to meet the needs of those injured heroes and their families; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Louisville, Kentucky on August 25, 26, 27, 2009, That The American Legion supports the Operation Homefront Organization; and, be it further**

**RESOLVED, That The American Legion National Veterans and Affairs Rehabilitation Division distribute information on locations of 9/11 Freedom Walks nationwide to the Department Adjutants for further dissemination to districts and posts to garner support for the event; and, be it finally**

**RESOLVED, That The American Legion Department Adjutants submit a list of number of volunteers, hours and locations to the National VA&R Division for tracking and reporting of the 9/11 Freedom Walk Event.**