

**NINETY-SECOND NATIONAL CONVENTION  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
August 31, September 1, 2, 2010**

**Resolution No. 270: Support For Bugles Across America To Provide Live Taps For Military Honors  
Origin: Tennessee  
Submitted by: Convention Committee on National Security  
(Consolidated with Resolution 273 (OK))**

WHEREAS, The American Legion, in its support of Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation, feels that every honorably discharged veteran deserves a dignified funeral ceremony with proper military honors; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion works closely with the National Cemetery Administration, Arlington National Cemetery, and other federal and state governments and entities to ensure a proper burial for all veterans, as well as honorable burial services for the veteran, the family of the veteran, and other loved ones; and

WHEREAS, By 2007 DoD Directive 1300.15 section 5.3.7 an active search is to be made for a live bugler, whether they be military, civilian, volunteer, or contracted; if a live bugler is not found it is then authorized to use the electronic bugle or other electronic recording; and

WHEREAS, Bugles Across America is a volunteer organization and a not-for-profit 503 (C) 3 organization that provides live buglers; and

WHEREAS, Bugles Across American currently has over 5,000 buglers in the United States, Europe, and Australia; and

WHEREAS, A live bugler can provide the proper honor with feeling, emotion, and dignity that cannot be reached with any electronic device; and

WHEREAS, The services of Bugles Across America are free of charge, to any veteran family, retiree, Veterans Service Organizations, Active Duty, National Guard, and Reserve Military Units; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 31, September 1, 2, 2010, That the largest Veterans Service Organization in the United States support Bugles Across American to provide live taps for military honors in-lieu of electronic recordings when and available; and, be it further**

**RESOLVED, That the American Legion encourage its members posts, districts, and departments to fully support and utilize the resources of Bugles Across America; and, be it finally**

**RESOLVED, That The American Legion desires to give our veterans and their families the opportunity for the final piece of dignity so deserved, with live Taps.**