

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA  
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**Resolution No. 37: Space Available Travel For Military Survivors**

Submitted by: National Security

(As amended)

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Defense (DoD) in DoD Regulation 4515.13-R has established a program of travel known as space available travel to allow authorized passengers to occupy DoD aircraft seats that are surplus after all required passengers have been accommodated; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of this privilege was to provide uniformed service members with a respite from the rigors of military service, and to provide retired uniformed service members with recognition for a career of rigorous duty; and

WHEREAS, The privilege is also extended to other categories of passengers, to include dependents, in support of the mission of the Uniformed Service members; and

WHEREAS, DoD Regulation 4515.13-R does not provide for surviving dependents of deceased members of the uniformed services or surviving dependents of deceased retired members of the Uniformed Services to be eligible for Space-Available travel; and

WHEREAS, Those surviving dependents had faithfully supported their sponsoring members of the uniformed services during the aforementioned rigorous duty, and bore the brunt of such support and the attendant challenges during the career of their sponsor; and; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By National Executive Committee Meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 18-19, 2006, That the surviving dependents of uniformed services members, both retired and active, be recognized for their continuing support during the career of their sponsor by being allowed to participate in space-available travel.**