

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA  
OCTOBER 18-19, 2000**

**Resolution No. 21: Rescinding Resolutions No. 31 - 1999 Fall NEC  
Origin: Internal Affairs Commission  
Submitted By: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, The American Legion, as a federally chartered organization is obligated to report its activities annually to the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS, The primary source of this information comes from the collective activities reported by the thousands of Posts within the organization; and

WHEREAS, Annually only about one-half of the Posts complete the requested National report form, known as the Consolidated Post Report; and

WHEREAS, The National Organization, in an effort to bolster that response, passed Resolution 31, titled District Commander of the Year Award, on October 13-14, 1999; and

WHEREAS, This resolution established a competition among the District Commanders so they could play a vital role in stimulating and improving the reporting activities of the Posts they oversee; and

WHEREAS, One District Commander from each of the National Vice Commander areas would be recognized as a result of their effort; and

WHEREAS, The recognition award was a free trip to the National Convention in Milwaukee for five "winning" District Commanders, plus runner-up plaques to other District Commanders for participating; and

WHEREAS, The number of completed forms returned increased by only sixty-seven reports; and

WHEREAS, The overall cost to conduct this competition was in excess of six thousand dollars, it is determined that future expenditures for this purpose are unjustified; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled at Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 18-19, 2000, That Resolution 31-1999 Fall NEC be rescinded, thereby ending this competition; and, be it further**

**RESOLVED, That other existing ways and means be utilized to increase the number of Posts completing and submitting the necessary Consolidated Post Report form; and, be it finally**

**RESOLVED, That more emphasis will be placed on the existing "*Race To The Top*" competition, which is designed exclusively for District Commanders to recognize membership achievement, providing them a way for personal appreciation by earning a trip to Indianapolis to attend Memorial Day events and activities in the National Headquarters city.**