

**NINETY-NINTH NATIONAL CONVENTION  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Washington, D. C.  
August 30, 31, September 1, 1966**

**Resolution No. 570: Reaffirmation of American Legion's Policy Not to Discriminate Against  
Persons Because of Race, Religion, Color, Creed or National Origin**

**Origin: Illinois**

**Submitted By: Convention Committee on Credentials and Internal Affairs (Membership)  
(As amended)**

WHEREAS, The American Legion is considering extending the privilege of membership to a new generation of war veterans; and

WHEREAS, Many of the new eligibles will not be aware of the history, purpose, programs or policies of The American Legion; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Washington, D.C., August 30, 31, September 1, 1966, That the national headquarters be instructed to undertake an educational program directed toward the non-member eligibles, which program should emphasize the service programs and the fact that membership is in no way based on race, creed, color, national origin or political affiliation.**