

**NINETY-NINTH NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Washington, D. C.
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Resolution No. 694: Formation of New American Legion Posts

Origin: Convention Committee on Credentials and Internal Affairs (Membership)

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

WHEREAS, The Forty-seventh National Convention, by resolution action, called attention of all department, district and local American Legion leaders to the need for new posts in residential or other areas not now being adequately served by existing posts; and

WHEREAS, The initiation of this program resulted in a 10% increase in the formation of new posts for the period of July 1, 1965 to July 1, 1966, over the same period of the previous year; and

WHEREAS, This increase is still not sufficient to offset the posts which were lost during the same period; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Washington, D.C., August 30, 31, September 1, 1966, That all department and district officials be urged to initiate and continue an educational program to obtain the active cooperation of local posts toward the forming of necessary additional posts so that:

- 1. The opportunity to join The American Legion will be available to all qualified veterans**
- 2. There will be different types of posts with appeal to a wide variety of veterans**
- 3. The formation of posts can keep pace with the population shift and the growth of metropolitan areas**
- 4. Each community and neighborhood will have the benefit of active Legion programs**
- 5. The American Legion can remain a vital force in the preservation of the American way.**