

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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**Resolution No. 21: “International Amity Award” of The American Legion
Origin: Internal Affairs Commission
Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, The development of international friendship and good will is a desirable objective of all Americans; and

WHEREAS, For a number of years there has existed a spirit of amity between The American Legion and the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada; and

WHEREAS, The said organization of Canadian veterans has awarded to The American Legion and to specific members thereof certain special compliments as a gesture of good will and friendship; and

WHEREAS, This example of friendly comradeship on the part of veterans of a neighbor country and a war-time ally is an inspiration prompting a similar endeavor on the part of The American Legion, in the furtherance of international understanding; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 25-26, 1961, That there be created and established an award to be known as the “International Amity Award” under the following specifications:

- 1. The award shall be in the form of an appropriately designed citation**
- 2. It shall be awarded to specific individuals who shall be war veterans within the accepted meaning of the term and members of an authentic veteran organization established in the territory of any of the nations associated as war-time allies of the United States**
- 3. It shall be awarded to such individuals in recognition of outstanding service in the field of veterans affairs and for service and contribution made in the development of international good will and comradeship between their organization and The American Legion**
- 4. It shall be awarded by the national commander with the advice and consent of the National Executive Committee at such time and place as may be consistent and appropriate**
- 5. Nominations for such awards may be made by any member of The American Legion in good standing filed with the National Trophies and Awards Committee under such rules and regulations as shall be approved for such award; and, be it finally**

RESOLVED, That the National Trophies and Awards Committee is hereby charged with the administration of this award.