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OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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Resolution No. 118: Sustaining United States Commitments In The Indo-Pacific
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WHEREAS, The United States' national security grand strategy has long been premised on global leadership, which entails great and multiple responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, The Indo-Pacific region is home to a rising proportion of global gross domestic product and a center of the world economy; and

WHEREAS, The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, along with the 2008 financial crisis, left many Americans disillusioned with global involvement and receptive to arguments that the alliances and institutions they supported for many decades no longer serve their interests; and

WHEREAS, Participation in essential collective security alliances, provided our allies contribute their fair share, should remain an objective of U.S. foreign policy; and

WHEREAS, The presence of U.S. forces in Asia is vital to the United States' commitment to the prosperity, defense and security of the region; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Minneapolis, Minnesota, August 28, 29, 30, 2018, That The American Legion support legislative or executive efforts to create a renewed long-term policy framework that demonstrates U.S. commitment to a free and open Indo-Pacific region and the rules-based international order.