EIGHTH NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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Resolution No. 346: Open Discussion of Public Questions
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WHEREAS, The American Legion is an organized body for the expression of the civic and social hopes and aspirations of the young manhood of America that participated in the defense of our country in the World War; and

WHEREAS, In a Republic the active interest of every citizen in all public questions is essential to the maintenance of liberty; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion is supremely interested in the welfare of our country and in its thousands of meeting halls and posts offers an excellent forum for the non-partisan discussion of all public questions and the education of our members and of the public therein; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, October 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 1926, That the American Legion calls upon its members to exercise the privilege and duty of the elective franchise in an intelligent and unselfish manner as an obligation of citizenship in time of peace upon the same high plane as that of military service in time of war; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That every post be urged to use its facilities to create a forum for the full, free, open and two-sided discussion under non-partisan auspices of all public questions to the end solely that our members and the public may be fully educated in regard to matters which they as individuals are required to exercise, of the privilege of the ballot, provided, however, that such discussion shall in no way commit the post or Legion as an organization to any position of policy; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That our members are urged to participate in all non-partisan activities for the good of the community and generally to in every way maintain a watchful, vigilance educationally, economically and politically in order that our liberty may be preserved and that all citizens may be equal before the law.