NINETY-SECOND NATIONAL CONVENTION
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
August 31, September 1, 2, 2010

Resolution No. 8: Include Holistic Medical Practices In Tricare Coverage
Origin: South Dakota
Submitted by: Convention Committee on National Security

WHEREAS, The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has recognized that Chiropractic Care for our veterans is an extremely important part of their overall health; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of Veterans Affairs provides chiropractic care and services to no fewer than 75 VA medical centers by December 31, 2010 and all VA medical centers by December 31, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Not all retired veterans have reasonable access to the VA medical centers near them due to the travel distance, age, and service-connected disabilities that makes it very difficult to travel the long distances to the nearest VA medical center; and

WHEREAS, Many retired veterans have TRICARE as their health care program; and

WHEREAS, TRICARE, is not an insurance plan, but rather a health care entitlement earned by our nation's military members for their service to this country; and

WHEREAS, TRICARE currently does not cover chiropractic care; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, August 31, September 1, 2, 2010, That The American Legion support an effort to encourage the TRICARE Management Authority, a department within The U.S. Department of Defense (DoD), to include Chiropractic care for veterans in the TRICARE health care package.