**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**
**OF**
**THE AMERICAN LEGION**
**Indianapolis, Indiana**
**April 29-30, May 1, 1953**

**Resolution No. 19: Trophies to be Retained at National Headquarters and Plaques Sent to the Winning Department**
**Origin: Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee**
**Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission**

WHEREAS, For a period of many years The American Legion has authorized the awarding of trophies for various activities, the trophies in many cases being large and extremely valuable; and

WHEREAS, These trophies through continued circulation over a period of years have been exposed to hard usage and frequently have become damaged; and

WHEREAS, Many instances have occurred where the winners have had no satisfactory place to properly display them while in the custody, which has caused expense and inconvenience; and

WHEREAS, The continued circulation for these trophies has involved expense to the organization for insurance, repair, upkeep, shipping and storage; and

WHEREAS, It seems desirable for the reasons herein mentioned to provide for the permanent retention of these trophies in the museum of National Headquarters while providing for suitable award to the winner of the same; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on April 29-30, May 1, 1953, That in order that the life of these trophies may be extended and in order that they may be on display at all times in the museum at National Headquarters with the names of the current winners appearing thereon, and in order to provide for a permanent record to the annual winners of the trophies, that suitable laminated plaques containing photographs of the original trophies will be awarded to and retained by the winners since such plaques can be provided with an engraved plate at a cost which should not be in excess of the cost of the present system of awarding trophies.**