NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
MAY 13-14, 1992

Resolution No. 35: Ralph T. O'Neil Education Trophy
Origin: Americanism Commission
Submitted by: Internal Affairs Commission

WHEREAS, The American Legion recognizing the importance of education in American founded and co-sponsors American Education Week each year; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion formed the National Committee on Education to keep the organization informed on education matters and to propose policy; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion recognizing the need for furthering an individual's education and the need to secure financing began publishing the college financial aid booklet NEED A LIFT?; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion, in order to recognize and reward the qualities of COURAGE, HONOR, LEADERSHIP, PATRIOTISM, SCHOLARSHIP, and SERVICE in America's youth sponsors The American Legion School Medal Award presented by Posts to deserving students; and

WHEREAS, The National Committee on Education wishes to change the method of determining the Department Winner of the Ralph T. O'Neil Education Trophy to more accurately reflect the awarding of The American Legion School Medal Award to students by Posts and thus providing an accurate measure of the Americanism activity in Education Programs and therefore, the National Committee on Education proposes and supports this resolution and strongly urges its passage; and

WHEREAS, The National Americanism Commission has reviewed this award change and recommends it for the consideration of the Internal Affairs Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Internal Affairs Commission has reviewed and approved this change and recommends it to the National Executive Committee; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 13-14, 1992, That the Ralph T. O'Neil Education Trophy be awarded annually to that Department, in the United States, showing the greatest Americanism activity in the use of The American Legion School Medal Award; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, The winning Department be determined by: (a) the number of "American Legion School Medal Awards" recorded on the Consolidated Post Report form; (b) the number of awards per Department is then divided by the number of Posts in the Department; and (c) the Department with the highest percentage will be declared the winner of the Ralph T. O'Neil Education Trophy.