NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
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Resolution No. 22: Tournament Of Stars Expenses
Submitted by: Finance Commission

WHEREAS, The National Executive Committee of The American Legion approved Res. 33, "USA Baseball—Tournament of Stars" in May 2003 authorizing The American Legion to participate in the USA Baseball Tournament of Stars, a multi-organizational annual all-star tournament event; and

WHEREAS, Authorization for American Legion Baseball participation in the tournament was extended with no deadline for curtailment by NEC Resolution 31, "USA Baseball—Tournament of Stars" in October 2004 with the following conditions:

1. That participation in the Tournament of Stars by The American Legion be reviewed annually by the National Americanism Commission to determine relevance and desire for continued involvement in the activity; and
2. That participation in the Tournament of Stars shall be at no cost to The American Legion; and

WHEREAS, Participation in the tournament has been determined by the Americanism Commission to be beneficial to American Legion Baseball and The American Legion; and

WHEREAS, American Legion Baseball program volunteers selected to accompany the American Legion team to the event have paid their incidental expenses associated with organizing, coaching and accompanying a team in the tournament to include certain housing expenses, telephone charges, some food expenses and player gratuities; and

WHEREAS, Major expenses of the team to include transportation and player housing and some expenses for team coaches is borne by USA Baseball and Major League Baseball, two longtime business partners of The American Legion; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 17-18, 2007, That The American Legion provide to American Legion Baseball coaches and team officials funding for authorized incidental expenses associated with organizing, coaching and accompanying an American Legion Baseball team in the Tournament of Stars with the amount of such funding determined annually in an amount considered prudent and specifically enumerated in each year's annual budget request.