NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
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Resolution No. 7: Samsung American Legion Scholarship Program Enhancement
Origin: Committee on Youth Education
Submitted By: Finance Commission

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 24, NEC, Oct. 2014, titled "Revised Rules and Conditions for the Samsung American Legion Scholarship Program" authorizes the expansion of said scholarship program to include a division of the Finalists pool into five geographic regions with instructions that two (2) 'Samsung American Legion Scholars' be selected from each region; and

WHEREAS, Following discussions with Samsung Electronics North American Headquarters from 2013 through early 2015, The American Legion received an offer for expanding our alliance with Samsung by way of improving the recognition of 'Samsung American Legion Scholars' and developing an official alumni association for continued engagement of said Scholars; and

WHEREAS, The development of an official alumni association requires the addition of a full-time staff member to construct such an association; and

WHEREAS, Samsung is extending a 3-year grant of approximately $380,000 to cover the costs associated with increased recognition of Samsung scholars, the development of an alumni association and the hiring of a full-time staff member to guide all planning and development of the alumni association; and

WHEREAS, Enhancing the current Samsung American Legion Scholarship program promotes increased alliance with Samsung Electronics and provides a greater benefit to the Finalists pool, new awardees and past recipients; and

WHEREAS, The Committee on Youth Education, Americanism Commission and Finance Commission each concur favorably on this resolution and recommend it to the National Executive Committee for its favorable action; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 6-7, 2015, That The American Legion be authorized to accept a 3-year grant of up to $380,000 from Samsung Electronics, for which terms of disbursement will be determined by Samsung, with said monies used for increasing recognition of 'Samsung American Legion Scholars' and for establishing an affiliated alumni association; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the affiliated alumni association be titled "Samsung American Legion Alumni Association"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Americanism Commission will establish the criteria, rules and procedures for operation of the Samsung American Legion Alumni Association, and will annually review and make revisions as necessary for maximized development, growth and enhancement of the association; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the National Commander, after review and approval by the National Judge Advocate, be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate contracts, trust indentures and documents to accomplish the purpose of this resolution and the National Adjutant be and is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the same.