NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
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Resolution No. 9: Updated Eligibility For Samsung American Legion Scholarships
Origin: Committee On Youth Education
Submitted by: Americanism Commission

WHEREAS, In 1995 The American Legion was honored to receive a $5 million scholarship endowment from Samsung Group as a gesture of appreciation for the sacrifices of U.S. service men and women who helped maintain security of the Korean peninsula during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Those eligible to apply for the scholarships have been defined as students who are direct descendants of U.S. wartime veterans who served during one or more of the periods of war officially designated as such by the United States government; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 116-35 titled "Let Everyone Get Involved in Opportunities for National Service Act" was signed into law on July 30, 2019, thereby recognizing two major war eras – that of April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918, and December 7, 1941 to a time later determined by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, Enacting Public Law 116-45 declares that the United States has been in a state of war since Dec. 7, 1941, thereby recognizing U.S. servicemembers who served during previously undeclared periods of war; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 16-17, 2019, That Resolution No. 28 of the National Executive Committee, May 2019, titled "Updated Rules and Conditions for the Samsung American Legion Scholarship Program" be amended so as to remove reference to specific war era dates within the third resolved clause, item 4, and revised to instead read, "Those eligible to apply for a Samsung American Legion Scholarship shall be students who are direct descendants of U.S. wartime veterans of the following war periods:

- **April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918, or**
- **December 7, 1941 until a time as determined by the federal government"; and, be it finally**

RESOLVED, That all other rules and conditions reflected in Resolution No. 28 of the National Executive Committee, May 2019, titled "Updated Rules and Conditions for the Samsung American Legion Scholarship Program" are unaffected and shall remain the same.