

## NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

No. : NEC-04-F05 Title: **Support of American Legion Resolution No. 169:  
Support For The War On Terrorism**

**Whereas**, The Sons of The American Legion is a program of The American Legion, an organization of wartime veterans created by an act of the United States Congress in 1919; and

**Whereas**, The American Legion's membership is composed of veterans of all wars, the majority of which are Vietnam veterans who have endured the consequences of a nation divided in time of war; and

**Whereas**, Warriors, above all other people, pray for peace, for they must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war; and

**Whereas**, Because of the very nature of war, the warrior cannot be separated from the war itself; and

**Whereas**, The United States of America was suddenly, and without provocation, attacked by terrorists on September 11, 2001, resulting in the deaths of thousands of innocent civilians and members of the military of the United States; and

**Whereas**, This tragic event does not stand alone, but is a continuation of a long series of unprovoked terrorist attacks aimed at destroying American lives, and the very basic core values of freedom, democracy and respect for human life; and

**Whereas**, In response to this despicable act of cowardice, a united Congress in a bipartisan manner authorized the use of armed force against the global armies of terrorism no matter where they reside; and

**Whereas**, Recognizing that the global war on terrorism is as deadly as any war in which the United States has been previously engaged, the President and Congress did authorize military actions in both Afghanistan and Iraq; and

**Whereas**, The global war on terrorism is a just war, aimed at protecting the very foundations of freedom and freedom-loving people everywhere; and

**Whereas**, The Sons of The American Legion agrees with our Commander in Chief that the acts of terrorism mentioned heretofore were aimed at "the heart and soul of the civilized world, and the world has come together to. fight a new and different war, the first, and we hope the only one, of the 21<sup>st</sup> century—a war against all those who seek to export terror, and a war against those governments that support or shelter them"; and

**Whereas**, The Sons of The American Legion National Security Subcommittee meeting October 1, in Indianapolis, Indiana, recommends adopting this resolution; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved**, by the National Executive Committee of the Sons of The American Legion in regular sessions in Indianapolis, Indiana, October 1- 2, 2005, that the Sons of The American Legion fully supports the President of the United States, the United States Congress and the men, women and leadership of our armed forces as they are engaged in the global war on terrorism; and, be it further

**Resolved**, That the Sons of The American Legion urges all Americans and freedom-

loving peoples everywhere to stand *united* in their support of the global war on terrorism, and *united* in their support of the troops who are engaged in protecting our values and way of life; and, be it. Finally

**Resolved**, That the National Sons of The American Legion fully support American Legion Resolution # 169.

<p><b>Submitted by:</b> George Evans Chairman, Legislative Commission</p> <p><b>Received by:</b> Brian O’Hearne National Adjutant</p> <p><b>Finance Recommendation:</b> Don Allisot Chairman Finance Commission</p> <p><b>Approval:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Rejection:</b> _____</p>
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<p><b>Sub Committee on Resolutions Recommendation:</b> Chris Hunzinger Chairman, Sub Committee on Resolutions</p> <p><b>Approval:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Rejection:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Referred to :</b> _____ _____</p> <p><b>Other:</b> _____</p>
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