

# THE AMERICAN LEGION

## DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA PROPOSED RESOLUTION

This is to certify that the resolution below was adopted by Post # 8 in a regular meeting dated September 16, 2025 but with Department action substituted for local resolving clause.

SIGNATURE POST COMMANDER OR ADJUTANT George Wallace, Post Commander

**INSTRUCTIONS (Department By Laws Article 1, section 5.c)**

This form must be filled out in triplicate.

All resolutions shall be presented to the Dept. Adjutant at least forty (40) days prior to the Dept. Convention.

### RESOLUTION

Subject: American Legion Resolution POW/MIA Slow Salute

WHEREAS, the American Legion is an organization of Veterans who have dedicated themselves to the service of the Community, State and Nation; and

WHEREAS, this service is performed throughout the American Legion's basic programs; and

WHEREAS, the Sergeant at Arms renders a slow salute prior to retrieving the POW/MIA flag; and

WHEREAS, it is a widespread practice that many Posts and Districts allow their members to render a slow salute at the retrieval of the POW/MIA flag; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By The American Legion, Department of Florida in Department Convention assembled in Orlando, Florida, June 11-14, 2026, That in accordance with resolution 288 adopted at the Legion's 67<sup>th</sup> National Convention, calling for designating an empty chair at all official American Legion meetings as a continual physical symbol of POW/MIA's and the cause for which we stand, namely their return or full accounting; when the Sergeant at Arms does a slow salute while retrieving the POW/MIA flag, the members shall be allowed to render a slow salute at the same time.**

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APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ REJECTED \_\_\_\_\_  
FOR DEPARTMENT ACTION \_\_\_\_\_  
FOR NATIONAL ACTION \_\_\_\_\_  
CONSOLIDATED WITH \_\_\_\_\_  
REFERRED TO STANDING COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE ON \_\_\_\_\_  
REFERRED TO CONVENTION COMMITTEE ON \_\_\_\_\_  
OTHER ACTION \_\_\_\_\_  
  
SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
(CHAIR)

January 10, 2026  
DATE RECEIVED IN DEPT  
POW/MIA Slow Salute  
SUBJECT  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
PROPOSAL NO. 2