

**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA
OCTOBER 14-15, 2015**

Resolution No. 17: Honoring Those Who Have Earned the Medal of Honor

Origin: Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

Submitted By: Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Commission

WHEREAS, The Medal of Honor is the highest military decoration awarded to a member of the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, The recipients have earned this award by displaying heroism and bravery while risking their lives during service to this great nation; and

WHEREAS, Associated with earning the award, Medal of Honor recipients are entitled to a monthly pension of \$1,299.61 as of December 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Recently introduced legislation aims to increase the monthly pension for Medal of Honor recipients to \$3,000.00; and

WHEREAS, The American Legion fully appreciated the service of those awarded the Medal of Honor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on October 14-15, 2015, That The American Legion supports legislation that would expand the benefits to Medal of Honor recipients.