

**The Sons of The American Legion
National Executive Committee**

**Held on
April 24, 2021
Resolution**

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No.: S.A.L. Resolution 6 – Spring, 2021

Title: Establishing a Policy and Procedure for a National Representative to Attend the Funeral or Memorial Service of a Past National Commander or Significant Leader

Origin: Internal Affairs Commission

WHEREAS, The remembrance and celebration of a Past National Commander, and other popular leaders of the organization, who pass into Squadron Everlasting draws many people who want to pay their respect, and it needs to be recognized with proper distinction; and

WHEREAS, There has been limited, and loosely defined guidance previously provided; and

WHEREAS, The lack of proper protocol and procedures have caused confusion and lessened the ability for proper and significant recognition of the contributions of the accomplishments of our Past National Commanders and other significant leaders of the organization; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The Sons of The American Legion, in regular meeting assembled virtually on April 24, 2021, That a National Policy and Procedure titled Significant Leader Funeral or Memorial Service, be adopted and placed in the Sons of The American Legion Administrative Manual; and, be it further

RESOLVED, For a Past National Commander Funeral or Memorial Service, that the National Representative for a deceased Past National Commander shall be another Past National Commander selected in advance, if predetermined, by the deceased in order of preference and availability, and if there is none available, then the procedure for selecting a National Representative for other Significant Leaders shall be followed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the sequence of representation selection for other Significant Leaders begin with the sitting National Commander. If he is unable to attend, he shall appoint a National Vice Commander or the closest Past National Commander (who is not from the same Detachment). If neither of those individuals is available, he may choose from other National Officers; and, be it further

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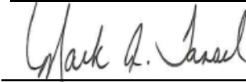
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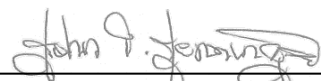
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RESOLVED, That the National Representative for a deceased Significant Leader, selected by the standing National Commander and his advisors, or for a Past National Commander, selected in the manner previously described in this resolution and approved by the Subcommittee of the Sons of The American Legion, through the Internal Affairs Commission of The American Legion, be allowed reasonable and appropriate travel expenses (travel per diem and potentially lodging), not to exceed standard guidance established by The American Legion's Travel Division; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That these revisions be implemented effective immediately, with record of the Policy and Procedure for Past National Commander Funeral or Memorial Service and the Policy and Procedure for Significant Leader Funeral or Memorial Service being filed at National Headquarters and with the National Adjutant for placement into the National Administrative file.

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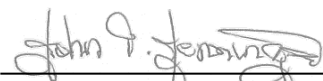
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