

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
RED LION HOTEL, HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA
SEPTEMBER 17-18, 2022**

Resolution No. 1137

Submitted by 19th District

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- WHEREAS, One of the founding principles of The American Legion is, “To preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in all wars”; and
- WHEREAS, From the founding of our nation’s military forces, beginning with the United States Army in 1775, citizens have answered the call to aggressively pursue our nation’s enemies on fronts across the globe; and
- WHEREAS, Upon the death of a veteran, our nation’s families have the challenge of disposing of their loved one’s military effects appropriately; and
- WHEREAS, The families of deceased veterans regularly donate to local Posts their veterans military effects; and
- WHEREAS, The families of deceased veterans regularly express their challenge of how to appropriately dispose of their loved ones offered military effects, often of true national, state or local historical value; and
- WHEREAS, Veteran organizations are uniquely organized in local communities, with veterans capable of supporting the surviving family upon request, to identify, classify, maintain and/or give honorable disposition to a veterans military related effects; and
- WHEREAS, The 19th District is in favor of honoring these veterans and supporting their surviving families during a difficult time by establishing The Disposition of Deceased Veteran Military Effects Program at the National, Department and Post level; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the Department Executive Committee of The American Legion, Department of Pennsylvania in regular meeting assembled September 17-18, 2022 at the Red Lion Hotel, Harrisburg, PA support the establishment of a prototype program in the 19th District to assist our nation’s deceased military veteran families with the appropriate disposition of their loved ones military effects and to establish this program at the soonest appropriate time; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, that our Department of Pennsylvania American Legion media channels be utilized to advance awareness to our membership on the development and establishment of this program.

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