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without vital insurance protection because their low-cost service insurance is forever lost to them and because they are unable to afford the costlier coverage of commercial insurance policies,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Denver, Colorado, July 31 through August 4, 1967, go on record as favoring legislation which will allow World War II and Korean veterans one year from date of enactment of such legislation to purchase or reinstate their service insurance.

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(RESOLUTION No. 156, LEGISLATIVE)

SUPPORTING AN INCREASE IN GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE TO A MAXIMUM OF \$30,000

Whereas, Government life insurance, which originated in World War I, still has as its maximum \$10,000, and

Whereas, the President, in his message to Congress on January 31, 1967, proposed the maximum be increased, and

Whereas, that Government Life Insurance with the Veterans Administration as administering agency for veterans and servicemen, the insurance program which had its origin in World War I, known as USGLI, other programs added NSLI, Special Life Insurance and Service Disabled Veterans Insurance. The maximum amount of Government insurance that can legally be in force on one's life on each of the above policies is \$10,000, and

Whereas, we are at the close of a half century without an increase in the value of a serviceman's life or veteran's insurance, and

Whereas, the value of our dollar is at an all time low, and what \$10,000 could buy fifty years ago it will not do so today,

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Denver, Colorado, July 31 through August 4, 1967, feel that the time has come for our government to supply our servicemen with an adequate amount of life insurance by increasing the maximum from \$10,000 to \$30,000, and

Be it further resolved that the total amount of \$10,000 be changed to \$30,000 on each of the plans that are now available for all uniformed servicemen, or insurance programs that may come into existence in the future.

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(RESOLUTION No. 60, LEGISLATIVE)

TO PROHIBIT THE TREATMENT OF NONVETERANS IN VA HOSPITALS

Whereas, the Congress of the United States established Veterans Administration hospitals for the exclusive use of veterans, particularly the service connected veteran, and

Whereas, cross-servicing between federal agencies has allowed non-veterans of other agencies to be admitted to VA hospitals, and

Whereas, allowing non-veterans' admission to VA hospitals is contrary to the intent of Congress and a threat against the VA as the sole agency for veterans benefits,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Denver, Colorado, July 31 through August 4, 1967, that the order allowing non-veterans admission to VA hospitals be rescinded and the laws regulating the use of the VA hospitals by veterans only be strengthened.

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(RESOLUTION No. 68, LEGISLATIVE)

REQUESTING INCREASED ALLOWANCE FOR TRAVEL IN CONNECTION WITH MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Whereas, the VA has been paying our veterans 5¢ a mile to travel to VA hospitals, outpatient treatment, and examination, and

Whereas, many veterans have had to travel over 100 miles and arrive at 8:00 in the morning for outpatient treatment, hospitalization and examination,