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RESOLUTION 189—SUPPORT LEGISLATION PREVENTING PERIODIC INCREASES IN PREMIUM RATES ON NSLI

Resolved by the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, That we urge our Senators and Representatives in Congress to support some sort of legislation to relieve World War II veterans from the burden of continually paying increased premiums on National Service Life Insurance.

RESOLUTION 268—TOTAL DISABILITY INCOME PROVISION FOR CERTAIN SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABLED VETERANS

Whereas all totally disabled veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States of America, by virtue of their honorable service and disabilities of service origin, may avail themselves of the monthly disability benefits granted to certain other disabled veterans, on their National Service Life Insurance policies, under the provisions of Section 715, Title 38, U.S. Code, and

Whereas the present law relating to the payment of monthly disability benefits to totally disabled veterans whose disabilities are of service origin, is discriminatory and as a result inequities exist in the law for veterans who are totally disabled before their release from the armed services; for veterans who attain their sixty-fifth birthday; and for veterans who apply for disability benefits after their fifty-fifth birthday, or before the insured's sixtieth birthday and prior to January 1, 1966, and

Whereas there are totally disabled veterans who are in need of the total disability benefits under the law, but who do not come under the purview of the law as written because of their failure to prove good health and condition at the time of their release from active service; and because of age limitations set forth in the present law, and

Whereas the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs should be instructed to issue a rider to the present law (See 715 of Title 38, USC) granting all totally disabled veterans, by virtue of their honorable service and disabilities of serviceable origin, the right to disability benefits under the provisions of their National Service Life Insurance policy: now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, to strive diligently to effect legislative action, whereby the United States of America will provide total disability benefits for all totally disabled veterans whose services were honorable and whose disabilities are of service origin, and providing their insurance policies are in force or can be put in order.

RESOLUTION 287—EXTEND THE REGULATORY PERIOD FOR FILING OF GRATUITOUS NATIONAL SERVICE LIFE INSURANCE CLAIMS

Whereas the 91st Congress of the United States will convene in January, 1969, and

Whereas the United States Veterans' Administration Regional Office did not start operations in the Philippines until after the Liberation in 1945, and

Whereas many Philippine Veterans have been denied the opportunity to obtain gratuitous National Service Life Insurance: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, That the regulatory period of seven (7) years for the filing of gratuitous National Service Life Insurance be changed to 10 years in the case of Philippine Veterans who died during World War II.

RESOLUTION 439—INCREASE MAXIMUM GI INSURANCE FROM \$10,000 TO \$30,000

Whereas Government Life Insurance, which originated in World War I, and subsequent Government Insurance Programs still have a maximum of \$10,000 and

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