RESOLUTION 387—SUPPORTING INCOME TAX EXEMPTION FOR CERTAIN DISABLED VETERANS

Whereas the Disabled American Veterans is always interested in the welfare of the veterans of all wars, especially those suffering from disabilities, and

Whereas the DAV has previously gone on record favoring the enactment of legislation granting tax exemption to the severely handicapped, and

Whereas present legislation is in existence affording such tax relief to blind

taxpayers and their spouses, and

Whereas amendments to the Internal Revvenue Code of 1954 have been proposed which will grant a \$600 annual exemption for each disabled taxpayer who has lost the use of one or more legs or both arms, as well as additional \$600 exemption for transportation expenses of disabled taxpayers who have a permanent loss of the use of one or more extremities, and

Whereas disabled veterans falling within the above-mentioned categories would be entitled to receive benefits of such \$600 exemptions: Now, therefore,

Resolved, That the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, go on record as favoring the passage of such legislation.

RESOLUTION 444—To Make Desecration of the American Flag a Federal OFFENSE PUNISHABLE AS A FELONY

Whereas overt and malicious mutilations, burnings, and desecrations of American flags, which are accepted as symbols of the Constitution of the United States of America, have occurred, and

Whereas such willful burnings and desecrations have been and are now being

done more frequently, and Whereas only some States make it a crime to so desecrate the flag of the United

States of America: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, That the Congress of the United States be petitioned to make willful desecration of the flag of the United States of America by any person or group of persons within the jurisdiction of the U. S. Government a felony with loss of citizenship and/or impossibility of securing citizenship as a result of conviction for such a crime.

RESOLUTION 479—OPPOSING SUBSIDIES FOR STUDENTS ENGAGED IN SUBVERSION

Whereas our Federal Government has a program of subsidies for colleges and universities in order to train manpower for our national defense, and

Whereas some of the students and faculty so added carry on subversive activities, participate in riots, and upon completion of their subsidized education make

no contribution whatever to the national defense: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, oppose any aid or subsidy to students and faculty alike whose conduct is subversive and whose education makes no contribution to the national defense.

RESOLUTION 480—RESPECT FOR THE AMERICAN FLAG

Whereas Congress has taken no action to amend Section 3 of Title 4, United States Code, and H.R. 10480, regarding the mutilation, defacement, defilement, and contempt of any flag, standard, colors or ensign of the United States and punishment thereof has not been voted upon, and

Whereas it is our opinion that these bills are inadequate in requiring proper

respect for our national emblem: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Disabled American Veterans in National Convention assembled at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 18 to 23, 1968, go on record urging the members of Congress to amend the present flag code so that disrespect to our National Emblem will be made a crime subject to severe penalty.