

RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 9 **DELETED/REJECTED**

Subject Free License Plate for Firemen/women

Referred to Convention Resolutions Committee

WHEREAS, the safety and welfare of nearly all villages, towns and small cities rely on volunteer fire departments and volunteer firemen and women who are among the first to respond to, and put their lives on the line for any and all emergencies whether it is a burning home or business, an automobile accident, a flood or a medical emergency and the volunteer firemen and women respond anytime of the day or night missing many family gatherings to protect their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, the training is intense, just to be on the scene and drag a hose or drive a fire truck, the volunteer must have 79 hours of training and an additional 50 hours of training is required to be certified to go in a burning structure. Also, the basic Emergency Medical Tech (EMT) certification for the volunteer in addition to the fireman training is more than a 150 hour certification class plus 8 hours of clinical exposure which must be renewed every three years: and

WHEREAS, it is more and more difficult to persuade young people to volunteer to join the local fire department when many times it is all giving, with self-satisfaction the only receiving. A free license plate and vehicle registration to all volunteer firemen and women that have answered 33% of their fire calls in the last calendar year and that it be an ongoing incentive, is a small token for the protection they provide for their community. Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the American Legion, Department of New York in convention assembled July 19th-21st, 2018 in Rochester, New York that it endorse and support the request to have New York State DOT issue a free license plate and registration to all volunteer firemen and women that have answered 33% of their calls in the last calendar year and that it be an ongoing incentive and, be it finally

RESOLVED, that if adopted, copies of this resolution be forwarded to the New York State Department of Transportation, New York State Department of Motor Vehicles and the New York State Senate and Assembly.

FOR CONVENTION COMMITTEE USE

Approved _____ Rejected _____

Approved with Amendments _____

Consolidated with _____

Referred to Standing Committee on _____

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Other Action _____

Signature _____
(Chairman)

Adjutant Signature

County

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