

**FORTY-FIRST NATIONAL CONVENTION  
OF  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota  
August 25, 26, 27, 1959**

**Resolution No. 245: Oppose Deleting Word 'Comrade' From The American Legion  
Constitution Preamble**

**Origin: Pennsylvania**

**Submitted By: Convention Committee on Credentials and Internal Organization**

WHEREAS, We consider the Preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion a well-prepared and finely worded document; and

WHEREAS, The aforementioned Preamble was adopted by the founders of our great veteran organization during the first caucus of The American Legion held in the United States, St. Louis, May, 1919; and

WHEREAS, The statement has been publicized that an American Legion post of another department in the national organization has seen fit to submit a resolution to delete the word 'comrade' from the official language of The American Legion; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED, By The American Legion in National Convention assembled in Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota, August 25, 25, 27, 1959, That no change in wording or omission of words be made in the Preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion; and, be it finally**

**RESOLVED, That the word 'comrade' as now being used throughout all American Legion functions, ceremonies, etc., be retained in its entirety.**