

## **USES OF POPPY MONEY**

**WHEREAS,** By Resolution 69 of The American Legion at its National Executive Committee meeting in April 1953, the American Legion did enact a mandate with reference to the use of funds derived from the distribution of poppies; and

**WHEREAS,** The American Legion Auxiliary has followed such mandate in the expenditure of such funds; and

**WHEREAS,** The recent enlargement of membership eligibility to include Vietnam veterans and our experience in the Hospital Volunteer program indicate that certain changes should be considered in this American Legion mandate; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED:** By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion, assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 3-4, 1967, that funds derived from the distribution of The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary poppy shall be used for the following purposes only:

1. For the rehabilitation of veterans honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces after April 6, 1917.
2. For the welfare of the families of veterans of the above named date.
3. For the rehabilitation of hospitalized servicemen returning home and awaiting discharge who require treatment in service hospitals.
4. To defray the expenses of Children and Youth and Veterans Affairs and Rehabilitation Chairmen in attending authorized conferences at which they are accredited representatives, and the expenses of the Director of Hospital Volunteer Schools to National Conferences, and to defray administrative expenses of Service Department, provided that both The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary Departments approve such use of funds within the Department.
5. For Transportation expenses of Hospital Volunteers and the purchase of Hospital Volunteer uniforms, if a Department of the American Legion Auxiliary so desires, as well as expenditures on behalf of the Field Service program, if a Department of the American Legion Auxiliary so desires, all within the limits of the guidelines established by the National American Legion Auxiliary.