



RESOLUTION

Retention of the Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross

WHEREAS, The Military Order of the World Wars holds as one of its ideals: “To encourage and assist in the holding of commemorations and the establishment of memorials of the World Wars;” and

WHEREAS, World War I Veterans, in 1934, established a Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross in California to memorialize those American World War I Veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice during the Great War, “the war to end all wars;” and

WHEREAS, the American Civil Liberties Union in recent years has challenged the retention of this sacred Memorial in the name of separation of church and state, and this issue has been referred to the Supreme Court of the United States;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Military Order of the World Wars, in convention, in Baltimore, Maryland, August 11-16, 2009, strongly support the retention of the Veterans Mojave Desert Memorial Cross as a National memorial honoring World War I Veterans.