DRAFT RESOLUTION 18-4 SUBJECT: SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN (SBP)

SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

WHEREAS, military retirees can receive both military retired pay and VA disability compensation at the same time. Two types of benefits provide this dual receipt of pay: Concurrent Retirement and Disability Pay (CRDP), and Combat-Related Special Compensation (CRSC); and

WHEREAS, upon the retirees death their retired pay stops and if the retiree has elected to <u>purchase</u> a Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) by <u>deductions</u> from their retired pay then an annuity is paid monthly to eligible beneficiaries under the plan; and

WHEREAS, if the retiree has a VA disability and whose death resulted from a service-related injury or disease eligible survivors of the retiree receive a benefit called Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC); and

WHEREAS, the AMVETS believes that a retiree who has served their country should not have their SBP offset against DIC it is inequitable because it discriminates and penalizes eligible beneficiaries of military retirees whose deaths are service connected warranting indemnification from our government separate from the annuity already paid for by the deceased from premiums deducted from their retired pay; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that AMVETS petition Congress to enact legislation that would provide for the full and immediate concurrent receipt of SBP and DIC payments to all eligible survivors / beneficiaries without offset.

By July 1, 2017, please send **only** Adopted Resolutions to awebb@amvets.org – or mail to:

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