RESOLUTION 12-11

SUBJECT: Women Veterans’ Healthcare

WHEREAS, Women veterans and service members have been shown to have unique and more complex health needs with a higher rate of co-morbid physical health and mental health conditions (31 percent of women have such co-morbidities versus 24 percent of men); and

WHEREAS, Less than 30 percent of VA facilities can provide women veterans onsite gender specific healthcare; and

WHEREAS, Most male veterans can receive the full spectrum of primary and preventative care services in one visit, most female veterans must schedule multiple visits to receive the same gender-specific care: now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, AMVETS urges VA and DoD to be ready and equipped with the necessary personnel, gender appropriate facilities, one-visit models of care and equal uniformed availability and access to care as their male counterparts; and be it further

RESOLVED, AMVETS urges the immediate implementation of the aforesaid in order to provide equal care for all of our nation’s returning war fighters.