DRAFT RESOLUTION 20-21

SUBJECT: U.S. Flag Protection

SOURCE: IN, IL, MO, OH, ND, CT, WI, DC, PA, NC, WA, MA, MI

WHEREAS, the flag of the United States of America is a symbol of our country and of freedom around the world; and

WHEREAS, in 1989, the United States Supreme Court ruled that flag desecration is protected by the First Amendment of the Constitution; and

WHEREAS, AMVETS has strongly supported reversing this ruling since 1989; and

WHEREAS, a flag protection amendment is supported by over 80 percent of the American people; and

WHEREAS, all fifty State legislatures have passed resolutions asking Congress to submit a flag protection amendment for ratification; and

WHEREAS, Congress should be permitted to protect the American flag from desecration; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that AMVETS petition Congress to allow United States citizens to consider approval for a flag protection amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Committee Recommendations:

Americanism and Patriotic Activities Committee: Adopt

Floor Action: ADOPTED