

## **FY09-1-FC**

### **PUT OUR NATIONAL MOTTO “IN GOD WE TRUST” IN EVERY CLASSROOM**

Whereas: The American Legion is an organization of war Veterans who have dedicated themselves to the service of the community, state, nation; And

Whereas: This service is performed through The American Legion youth programs, education programs, and Americanism; And

Whereas: A critical element of the education of our youth is their exposure to the concept of our nation’s history; And

Whereas: The legal precedent for the display of our National Motto “In God We Trust” has been supported by the Federal Courts; And

Whereas: The American Legion Posts in the counties of Burke, Cleveland, Lincoln, Gaston, Iredell, and Rutherford have already placed framed posters of our National Motto “In God We Trust” in their public and church-related school classrooms; And

Whereas : At Posts where this program has been a success, community involvement and support was clearly evidenced by local businesses providing discounts on frames and printing of the posters; And

Whereas: American Legion Posts have been successful in obtaining community and commercial financial support to cover the expenses of this program; And

Whereas: Local posts have enhanced community involvement and support for this effort by having post members, youth groups, JROTC units, scout troops assembling, distributing and installing the framed mottos in their schools; And

Whereas: The positive publicity available for this program, through the local media, is an opportunity to enhance the awareness of The American Legion in the conscience of our veteran and civilian neighbors; Now therefore be it

Resolved: That The American Legion Posts of North Carolina work hand in hand with the local communities and businesses to obtain the funding, purchasing, assembling, distributing and installing of framed posters with our National

Motto “In God We Trust” in every classroom within their counties; and be it finally

Resolved: That The American Legion Department of North Carolina support this project, to have our National Motto “In God We Trust” in every classroom in the state of North Carolina.

**Adopted      October 18, 2008**  
**Department Executive Committee**  
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