

**THE AMERICAN LEGION
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46206
MAY 7-8, 2014**

RESOLUTION NO: 23

Commending Children's Organ Transplant Association

COMMISSION: Americanism

ORIGIN: Committee on Children & Youth

WHEREAS, It is the position of The American Legion that all children should have access to quality medical services to assure their physical, mental and emotional well being; and

WHEREAS, Children's Organ Transplant Association exists to assist patients who require life-saving organ, bone marrow, cord blood or stem cell transplants; and

WHEREAS, Children's Organ Transplant Association seeks to assist all patients 21 years of age and younger in need of medical transplants; and

WHEREAS, Each day 15,000 children are waiting for an organ transplant and another 5,000 are in need of a bone marrow transplant; and

WHEREAS, Children's Organ Transplant Association assists families from across the nation with local fundraising efforts and a matching grant to meet transplant-related expenses that are not typically covered by health insurance; and

WHEREAS, Children's Organ Transplant Association improves the lives of children and families in need of organ transplants and increases public awareness of their plight; and

WHEREAS, The Committee on Children & Youth has reviewed this resolution and recommends its approval; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By the National Executive Committee of The American Legion in regular meeting assembled in Indianapolis, Indiana, on May 7-8, 2014, That The American Legion commends Children's Organ Transplant Association for its humanitarian efforts on behalf of children in need of organ and bone marrow transplants; and, be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Americanism Commission's Committee on Children & Youth send a copy of this resolution to Children's Organ Transplant Association as an expression of The American Legion's congratulations and continuing admiration.