



THE AMERICAN LEGION
John V. Folsom Post #54
Department of Washington

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Resolution

- WHEREAS: There is to be elected a Department Commander for the Department of Washington at the Department of Washington Convention to be held in Spokane Valley, WA July 18-22, 2018.
- WHEREAS: John V. Folsom Post #54, Chewelah, Washington, has within its membership a Legionnaire who has served The American Legion with exceptional dedication and distinction and has demonstrated his abilities of leadership and is truly qualified to perform the duties of the office of Department Commander, and
- WHEREAS: served the American Legion for over 11 years with the Department Washington in many leadership capacities, served honorably and with distinction in the US Navy during Desert Shield/ Desert Storm, and is a graduate of The National American Legion College class of 2009, and
- WHEREAS: held elected positions within the Post as Trustee, Audit Committee, Post 2nd Vice Commander, Vice Commander, and Commander, currently Adjutant and Finance Officer, and
- WHEREAS: held elected positions within District 8 including the position of District SGT at Arms 2009, District Vice Commander 2010 - 2011, and District Commander for 2011-2013, and
- WHEREAS: has been elected to the positions of Department Area III Vice Commander 2013-2014, and Department Sr. Vice Commander 2014 - 2015, and Department Commander 2017-2018, and
- WHEREAS: was employed by the Department of Washington as an Accredited Service Officer and office manager for the Spokane Office from 2012 - 2015, a volunteer service officer 2008 - 2012 and 2015 - present, and
- WHEREAS: currently serves as the National Commanders Representative to the National Security Commission, served on the National Security Commission 2011 - 2013, served on the National Cemetery Committee from 2013 - 2016, and

WHEREAS: served with the Department of Washington legislative team in Washington D.C for 5 years with one year as team leader, and has attended 6 National Conventions, and

WHEREAS: served on the Department of Washington Legislative Commission 2010 - 2016, Convention Committee from 2010 - 2016, Boy Scout Committee since 2010, and Department Legion College Administrator from 2009 - 2016, Evergreen Boys State Staff since 2010, and Chairman of Evergreen Boys State 2017- present, and

WHEREAS: served as Vice President of District 8 Convention Corporation from 2010 - 2015, and President of District 8 Convention Corporation from 2015 - present, and

WHEREAS: This Legionnaire was the 5th person to receive the American Legion Square Knot award in the Department of Washington, has been in Scouting for 20+ years as a Scout and Leader, served on Inland Northwest Wood Badge as staff for 4 years including the role as Sr. Patrol Leader; therefore be it finally

RESOLVED: That John V. Folsom Post #54, Department of Washington, at the regular meeting of its membership held on November 21, 2017, does hereby endorse and support

Gary W. Roach Jr.

As a candidate for the office of Department Commander for the Department of Washington.



Hal Leedom, Commander

