

**Union Springs Post 2016
P.O. Box 741
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Resolution

WHEREAS, the Department of Alabama, American Legion, elects a 3rd Division Commander at the June Convention each year; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard gained her eligibility after honorably serving on Active Duty in the United States Army from 1978 – 1998, retiring after 20 years and 1 month; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard is serving as Union Springs Post 2016 Commander (2023 to present) and served as the Adjutant (2017 – 2023), repeatedly integral in the post receiving consecutively the 100% Membership Commander's pin; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard has been serving as the 32nd District Commander for 2023 to present), and received 100% Membership Commander's recognition award; under her leadership in the 32nd District. She revitalized 4 inactive posts and was instrumental in three posts earning the Post Excellence Award and 12 out of 14 posts to reach 100%; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard is a graduate and alumni of the Department of Alabama Yellowhammer Legion College (AYLC), Class 7-23, an instructor at the 7-24 AYLC course, and selected to attend the National American Legion College class 11-24; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard, a Paid Up For Life (PUFL) member, has been in the American Legion since 2016, and served as a dual member with the Auxiliary (Unit 337) Historian; a member of the Honor Society of Women Legionnaires, Alabama Echelon 50; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard is a member of the National Security Commission, and the Department of Alabama Oratorical Commission, Scholarship Committee, Executive Committee (DEC), Disaster Relief Committee, Membership Commission; and

WHEREAS, Gladys Leonard has demonstrated exceptional dedication and leadership, and now expresses her intent to seek election to the position as the 3rd Division Commander, which she has proven capabilities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, By Union Springs Post 2016 on 12 October 2024, the members unanimously voted their support for the candidacy of Legionnaire Gladys Leonard for 3rd Division Commander, Department of Alabama 2025-2026. We ask for your vote and support during the Department Convention in June 2025.



Hawthorne Reed
Post Vice Commander



Betty Goshey
Post Adjutant