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## 2019 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 110

December 5, 2019 - Introduced by Representatives Skowronski, Edming, Hintz, Horlacher, James, Kerkman, Krug, Kulp, Loudenbeck, Magnafici, Mursau, Plumer, Pope, Shankland, Sinicki, Spiros, Thiesfeldt, Tittl, Allen, Knodl and Wichgers, cosponsored by Senators Jacque, Bewley, Carpenter, Darling, Marklein, Nass, Olsen, Schachtner, Testin, Wanggaard and Tiffany. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** recognizing The American Legion's ongoing commitment to service to 2 veterans, families, the nation, the state, and their communities and 3 commending the Legion on the occasion of its century of service. Whereas, The American Legion began with a meeting of World War I veterans 4 5 held in Paris, France, in the spring of 1919; and 6 Whereas, The American Legion was chartered by Congress on September 16, 7 1919, and continues to be the largest veterans service organization in the nation with over 1,800,000 members. The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin, has over 8 9 50,000 members and over 500 local posts; and 10 Whereas, The American Legion is responsible for the original GI Bill and has 11 a proud history of fighting for legislation to improve the lives of our nation's veterans; 12 and Whereas, The American Legion provides programming to the youth of our 13 14 nation. American Legion Baseball is a local and national program that develops the 15 teamwork and leadership skills of youth; and

Whereas, Boys State and Nation provides students with an educational
opportunity to experience how state government and national government work. The
oratorical program helps students develop public speaking skills while they study
the United States Constitution; and
Whereas, The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin, provides several
thousand dollars in scholarships each year to the youth of Wisconsin; and
Whereas, the Department Service Office assists veterans in receiving the
benefits they earned for the sacrifices they made; and
Whereas, The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin, operates Camp
American Legion, which provides the northwoods experience to enable veterans to
heal and provide a place of rest; now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature, in
recognition of The American Legion's ongoing commitment to community, state, and
nation by supporting veterans and their families, does hereby commend the
organization upon the 100th anniversary of its founding.

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