

# Senate

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## CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

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### *AMVETS Hayward Post 911*

*WHEREAS, On September 5<sup>th</sup> 2013, AMVETS Hayward Post 911 will hold its first official post meeting in Hayward, CA and it is appropriate at this time to highlight AMVETS and the work they provide to the community as a veteran's service organization; and*

*WHEREAS, AMVETS became the very first World War II organization chartered by Congress when President Harry S. Truman signed Public Law 216, and early on was most visible with its network of trained national service officers accredited by the Department of Veteran Affairs to help veterans of World War II to obtain the benefits promised them by the federal government, a tradition which has continued to this day; and*

*WHEREAS, The eligibility for membership of AMVETS strives to offer an opening door policy that includes veterans from wars of all eras who received an honorable discharge, as well as current service members, including the National Guard and Reserves; and*

*WHEREAS, Growing to over 12,000 members in the state of California, with one of the more than 40 state Departments and 1,400 Posts nationwide, AMVETS has advanced to provide programs such as VA claim assistance, patriotic community programs, assisting homeless veterans and families, and Military funeral and honor guard services, along with many other programs; therefore*

*RESOLVED BY SENATOR ELLEN CORBETT that AMVETS Hayward Post 911 in Hayward, CA continue for many years to be utilized for their support and efforts to the veterans of California.*

*Ellen M. Corbett*

October 3rd, 2013

Ellen Corbett

California State Senator, District 10