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# Opening Prayer





**A POW/MIA EMPTY CHAIR IS PLACED AT ALL OFFICIAL MEETINGS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AS A PHYSICAL SYMBOL OF MANY AMERICAN POW/MIAS STILL UNACCOUNTED FOR FROM ALL WARS AND CONFLICTS INVOLVING THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THIS IS A REMINDER FOR ALL OF US TO SPARE NO EFFORT TO SECURE THE RELEASE OF ANY AMERICAN PRISONERS FROM CAPTIVITY, THE REPATRIATION OF THE REMAINS OF THOSE WHO DIED BRAVELY IN DEFENSE OF LIBERTY, AND A FULL ACCOUNTING OF THOSE MISSING.**

**LET US REDEDICATE OURSELVES TO THIS VITAL ENDEAVOR!**





# Preamble to the Constitution

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes:



**To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America;**

**to maintain law and order;**

**to foster and perpetuate a 100-percent Americanism;**



**to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in all wars;**

**to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation;**

**to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses;**



**to make right the master of might;**

**to promote peace and goodwill on earth;**

**to safeguard and transmit to posterity the  
principles of justice, freedom and democracy;**



**\*\* (Auxiliary only) \*\***

**to participate in and contribute to the accomplishment of the aims and purposes of The American Legion;**

**to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.**



