

LOGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION LO 14 -15 89

RESOLUTION TO
TO ESTABLISH AN INDIGENT VETERAN'S BURIAL ASSISTANCE IN LOGAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, 55 ILCS 5/5-27001 authorizes the designation of a person or persons to serve without compensation to cause to be properly interred the body of any honorable discharged veteran who served in the armed services of the United States during the Civil War, Spanish-American War, Philippine Insurrection, Boxer Uprising in China, World War I, World War II, during the national emergency between June 25, 1950 and January 31, 1955, during the Viet Nam Conflict between January 1, 1961 and May 7, 1975, or with the armed forces of the United States in any congressionally sanctioned war or conflict after the Viet Nam Conflict, or their mothers, fathers, husbands, wives, widows, widowers or minor children, who may hereafter die in such county, without having sufficient means to defray the burial expenses; and

WHEREAS, this division shall not apply to such mothers, fathers, husbands, wives, widows or widowers, if they were recipients of public assistance at the time of death (P.A. 96-98); and

WHEREAS, the expense of such burial shall not exceed the sum of \$900.00; such burial shall not be made in any cemetery or burial ground used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead, or in that portion of any burial ground so used; and

WHEREAS, in case relatives of the deceased who are unable to bear the expenses of burial and desire to conduct the funeral, they may be allowed to do so, and the expense thereof shall be paid as hereinafter provided; and

WHEREAS, the expenses of such burial and head stone shall be paid by the county in which such veteran or his or her mother, father, husband, wife, widow, widower, or minor children resided at the time of such death; and

WHEREAS, nothing in this Division contained shall apply to the burial of veterans who are residents of the Veterans' Home at the time of their death; and

WHEREAS, the Logan County Board will provide an application for aforesaid Indigent Veteran's Burial Assistance commencing July 1, 2015;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Logan County Board hereby establishes a budget line for Indigent Veteran's Burial Assistance as provided in 55 ILCS 5/5-27001 in the amount of \$_____ from the General Fund. The establishment of this fund and budget amendment for FY 2014- 2015 is by roll call vote and passed by two-thirds of its members. The County Clerk shall deliver the signed resolution to the County Treasurer for creation of such budget line item in the current fiscal year;

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that the Logan County Board authorizes their chairman to be the designated person as the administrator of Logan County Indigent Veteran's Burial Assistance. The

chairman will serve as administrator with no compensation as designated in the aforementioned statute;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Logan County Board Legislative Committee create an application for the county's Indigent Veterans and their families as provided in 55 ILCS 5/5-27001, and that the families of qualified veterans shall apply for this assistance at the time of death of the veteran through the county board office at the Logan County Courthouse;

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that those applying for this assistance shall not be on public assistance at the time of death of the veteran, and the applicant must meet all criteria in the body of this resolution. If the guidelines are met, the County Board Chairman will direct the Logan County Clerk to remit payment only to a certified funeral home for the internment of the veteran. The funeral home shall not increase the amount charged to the applicant due to this stipend.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Sally J. Turner, Logan County Clerk

David R. Hepler, County Board Chairman