As the United States and the world tries to control the COVID-19 Pandemic, the National American Legion has canceled the 2020 National Convention. With no clear end in sight to the extraordinary restrictions on business and personal travel, hard decisions have to be made now.

The National American Legion after much discussion and weighing of the options determined that it was most prudent for the safety of our members to cancel all National Legion meetings until September 30, 2020. The National American Legion Auxiliary and National Sons of The American Legion are also following the guidance recommended.

They are strongly urging the Departments Legion, Sons of The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary to follow a similar course of action. The Leadership of Illinois Legion Family has met and agrees with that guidance.

The Department Executive Committee passed a resolution to cancel State Convention scheduled for July 8th to 11th, 2020 in Springfield, Illinois by email vote.

Districts and Divisions can make changes during their next regular meeting, in compliance with their own Constitution, for replacement of officers that do not want to serve the additional time. If you have any question about what this means for your District or Division please contact the Department Adjutant at 309-663-0361.

The American Legion has never faced this type of situation. Please be understanding as we, as an organization, make this work. Together we will grow stronger as a Legion Family.