



# IRAQ VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR ★ IVAW.ORG

## **Resolution Proposing that IVAW Only Use, Supports or Endorses, Non-violent and Peaceful Actions**

**Whereas** there is no official statement regarding Iraq Veterans Against the War's stand on methodology for achieving our goals; namely, ending the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, ensuring all returning veterans have adequate health care, and repairing the damage done in Iraq and Afghanistan by the occupations;

**Whereas** calls for violence and sabotage are both illegal and immoral, and will only serve to do great damage to Iraq Veterans Against the War's efforts to end the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan;

**Whereas** any endorsement, passive or active, of violence would lead to IVAW being banned from active duty bases, Reserve centers and National Guard armories; being declared an extremist organization and thereby making it illegal for a member of the military to become a member of IVAW;

**Whereas**, the Board of Directors has stated that it is the position of IVAW that only non-violent, peaceful methods are to be used to accomplish our goals;

**Therefore** be it hereby resolved that Iraq Veterans Against the War only uses, supports or endorses, non-violent and peaceful actions in seeking to accomplish its goals of ending the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan; providing proper medical care to all returning veterans and repairing the damage done by the occupations.

**Additionally** be it resolved that any member found promoting violence in pursuit of the goals of this organization, will be subject to immediate discipline, including the termination of his or her membership, in accordance with the procedures outlined in the policies governing termination of memberships."

*Adopted: August 8, 2009*