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of them are just lost in the system, much of that as a result of the experiences they had and then never being welcomed home, never feeling appreciated. And though they served with honor and distinction, in most instances, they went when their country called. They did what was asked of them, but when they returned to the country, they were looked down upon. They may not have done things that people liked. They may have done them because their country asked them to do them. But as a result, they were equated with some of the horrors of war, some that they are still dealing with, that they're still having trouble working through. A lot of those people are out there. They are doing the best that they can to make their lives something now, but there are a lot of them that are having real difficulties. And we need to reach more of them. We need to be able to heal what took place during that very traumatic part of our history, and rather than sweep it under the carpet, pretend that it's over and done with and there are no consequences, war does have consequences. Those consequences live not only in the veterans that go through those wars, but those consequences are foisted upon the spouses, sometimes in abuse, in the children, and in the family situations, in the chemical dependency, other kinds of ill-health. Going through a war situation is an abnormal situation and a normal reaction to that is to have a reaction to trauma. That's what's going on with many veterans but, particularly, Vietnam veterans, and I think anything that we can do to help to heal that is important to emphasize, is important to do. We may have healed some of the physical wounds, although many of those scars are still apparent; we have not healed the emotional wounds and there is a long way to go to do that, my friends. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Preister. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I just wanted to speak briefly in support of the veterans' home and support of this bill. I was never under fire in Vietnam. I did serve in Thailand. But one thing I felt the need to say, and to say again, with regard to the Vietnam War, I just resent highly the idea that this war was lost and that the people who fought it were somehow losers. Vietnam was not a war. Vietnam was a battle in a war that we called the Cold War. And Korea,