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Kansas Senate Committee
Topeka State Capitol
300 SW 10th Street
Topeka, Ks. 66612

RE: HB 2021 Veterans Home Hearing

Dear Sirs:

As a veteran of the United States Army who served in Korea in 1963-1964 with the 207 Medical Detachment, I am submitting written testimony as a proponent for the current bills that would create a new veterans home in the northeast portion of our state. I thank the committee for reviewing the House Bill that would support our veterans who are in need of this facility.

I am a retired widower and 77 years of age, living on social security and a small KPERS pension. The VA sends me a small disability payment for an injury I received in Korea. I get by and generally can pay my bills, but my medical problems are now becoming an issue. What will I do when the day comes I can no longer stay home and care for myself? I live in Wyandotte County where all my friends, doctors and associates are. The option to travel long distances to one of the current Kansas VA facilities clear across the state is just not a real option.

This new long term care facility to be built in one of the five northeast counties would be just what the doctor ordered for someone like me. As a member of VFW Post 1149 I routinely talk with other vets who are in the same boat I am. So I urge the committee to pass the bill so it can go to the governor for signing to support all Kansas veterans.

God bless you for your support of our veterans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jack D. Parish".

Jack D. Parish
United States Army Retired