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Dear Veterans and Spouses,

The Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs has been very active in seeking new programs for the veterans of North Dakota. We have been involved with the Budget Committee on Home and Community Care in the last 12 months.

At the last meeting, it was moved by Senator Sand, seconded by Representative Huether, and carried that the Committee ask the Legislative Council staff to prepare a bill draft to authorize veterans basic care facilities in western North Dakota and at the Cedar Grove building at the Developmental Center in Grafton, including authorization for borrowing from the Veterans Post War Trust Fund for matching state funds for the state home grant program and the appropriation of the funds necessary for the construction and operation of the facilities. Senators Krauter, Andrist, Bowman, Lindaas, and Sand and Representatives Cleary, Coats, Gorder, Grumbo, and Huether voted "aye." There were no negative votes.

This is a notable first step in assuring all veterans that they will receive the care they need and deserve. The Veterans Home in Lisbon has been at capacity or near capacity in recent years. The veterans appreciate the care that the staff and the Veterans Home in Lisbon provide for their unique needs.

We are not seeking proposals at this time for the site location as we feel it would be premature and would not make a positive impact on our efforts. The Administrative Committee requests that all veterans in the state support this motion and will call your local senators and representatives and ask them to support this bill as it goes through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

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