

PRESIDENT: We are now on committee amendments to 250 and will proceed with those amendments. Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, members, this resolution was introduced on behalf of the Grand Island MIA-POW group that is operating out there. They wanted to recognize the POWs and the MIAs that are still missing in action. We had a hearing, which we did have some people come in and testify and I think gave some very worthwhile testimony. I think that it would be beneficial for this body to adopt the amendment and the resolution to honor these people who have sacrificed their lives and families who are still very much concerned with the whereabouts of their husbands, or sons, or family. Senator Hartnett, I think, has passed out some material on your desks that you might want to read through. I will defer the rest of my time to Senator Hartnett, if he'd like to take it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I simply want to say that I think the Viet Nam War, I think we went through a period where we kind of faced it with disgrace. I think we are past that period of time in our history. I think we are kind of proud of the men and women who served in our armed forces, and simply to honor the people who are still prisoners of war in Viet Nam. I have a letter that I would like to send around to you and have you sign from the Nebraska Unicameral that we would send to Hanoi to ask for the release of these prisoners. So without further ado, I'd like to have each of you sign this, and I'll have one of the Pages pass it around. I hope that you would vote for this resolution and the amendment to it. It simply...the amendment simply says that we will fly the flag on each of the days that were for the people when they were missing in Viet Nam. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Is there further discussion on the amendment? If not, the motion is to adopt the amendment that is offered to the resolution. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Please record your vote on the Hartnett amendment to LR 250. Have you all recorded your vote? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 38 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendment to 250.