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WASHINGTON, D.C. Nov. 25---"The Senate's rejection of Clement Haynsworth as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court was more than just a defeat for Judge Haynsworth and President Nixon," U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) said on the Senate floor today.

"It was also a defeat for the voices of reason speaking out against the sectional bigotry and political pressures of labor and other groups. Judge Haynsworth's defeat was a political defeat.

"There has been much talk about undue pressure from the White House. There is every indication that for each bit of reason applied by the White House, organized labor and its allies applied twice as much pressure.

"Judge Haynsworth was judged by a new code that I doubt could be met by most sitting Justices of the Supreme Court or by members of the Senate.

"In some cases, false charges were brought against the Judge and published and re-published. In other cases, minor incidents, perfectly legal, were enlarged and distorted.

"Judge Haynsworth is a good man and an honorable man. I urge him to remain in his present position where he can continue to render great service to our Nation. The Nation and its courts need men of his caliber.

"I hope we have not destroyed a good man."