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WASHINGTON, D.C. April 3 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today praised Presidential action in seeking additional funds for the Veteran's Administration and pledged his support of the request.

President Nixon has approved a \$50 million increase in the VA medical budget request for fiscal year 1971 and has authorized the VA to seek from Congress an additional ~~50~~⁴⁵ million for the remainder of this fiscal year.

"If granted, these funds will greatly improve medical care for all veterans and will guarantee that treatment for men returning from Vietnam is the best that we can supply," Dole said.

"I am certain that Congress will approve these additional funds and I am also certain that all citizens look with favor on whatever expenditures are required to help restore and sustain the health of those who have served in this cruel and lonely war."