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VVA to President Trump: Help us Heal our Nation

Statement by Vietnam Veterans of America National President John Rowan:

On the eve of Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29, we are chagrined by the President's inability to let a fellow Vietnam veteran rest in peace.

Every day we live our founding principle, "Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another."

We have succeeded in teaching our fellow Americans that warriors don't make policy.

They have learned to separate the war from the warrior.

The era of spurning veterans is past. We have made sure of it.

Our experience has taught us how fear and hatred corrode the soul and imprison the spirit.

We have forgiven those who have condemned us for answering our country's call.

We have forgiven those who received educational and medical deferments from serving in the war.

We have forgiven Hollywood for its negative portrayal of veterans. We are proud of the warmth, respect, and honor that our newest veterans receive today.

And we are greatly saddened by the President's inability to let a Vietnam War hero rest in peace.

Mr. Trump, it's time to move on. Help us heal our Nation and honor those who have served and sacrificed.

