

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4288

AN ACT

To name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in San Jose, California, as the “Corporal Patrick D. Tillman VA Clinic”.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Patrick “Pat” Daniel Tillman was born on
4 November 6, 1976, in San Jose, California.

5 (2) From 1990 to 1994, Pat attended Leland
6 High School in San Jose, California, where he sub-
7 sequently helped lead his team to a Central Coast
8 Division I Football Championship. Shortly there-
9 after, Pat was offered a scholarship to and played
10 football for the Arizona State University Sun Devils.
11 While there, he led Arizona State to the 1997 Rose
12 Bowl after an undefeated season, earned three con-
13 secutive selections to the Pac-10 All-Academic Foot-
14 ball Team, a 1st team Academic All-American
15 honor, as well as the NCAA’s Post-Graduate Schol-
16 arship for academic and athletic excellence.

17 (3) Upon graduating college, Pat Tillman was
18 selected in the 7th round of the 1998 NFL Draft by
19 the Arizona Cardinals.

20 (4) In July of 2002, less than 1 year after the
21 terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, Pat chose
22 to suspend a lucrative career in the NFL to join the
23 U.S. Army alongside his brother, Kevin.

24 (5) Pat and Kevin were subsequently assigned
25 to the second battalion of the 75th Ranger Regiment
26 in Fort Lewis, Washington. As an Army Ranger,

1 Pat deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom
2 in 2003 and Operation Enduring Freedom in 2004.

3 (6) On April 22, 2004, Pat Tillman was killed
4 by gunfire while on patrol in a rugged area of east-
5 ern Afghanistan.

6 (7) Further investigation and subsequent re-
7 porting confirmed Tillman was killed via fratricide
8 as he attempted to provide cover for fellow soldiers
9 as they endeavored to escape from a canyon wherein
10 they were trapped.

11 (8) Pat Tillman is undeniably known as a na-
12 tional hero, was awarded the Silver Star and Purple
13 Heart medals, and was posthumously promoted to
14 corporal.

15 **SEC. 2. NAME OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
16 **COMMUNITY-BASED OUTPATIENT CLINIC,**
17 **SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.**

18 The community-based outpatient clinic of the Depart-
19 ment of Veterans Affairs in San Jose, California, shall
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act be known and
21 designated as the “Corporal Patrick D. Tillman Depart-
22 ment of Veterans Affairs Clinic” or the “Pat Tillman VA
23 Clinic”. Any reference in any law, regulation, map, docu-
24 ment, paper, or other record of the United States to such
25 community-based outpatient clinic shall be considered to

1 be a reference to the “Corporal Patrick D. Tillman De-
2 partment of Veterans Affairs Clinic” or the “Pat Tillman
3 VA Clinic”.

Passed the House of Representatives July 15, 2026.

Attest:

Clerk.

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