

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 6963

AN ACT

To designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Lafayette, Louisiana, as the “Rodney C. Hamilton Sr. 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. DESIGNATION OF RODNEY C. HAMILTON SR. VA**
2 **CLINIC IN LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

4 (1) Rodney Carroll Hamilton Sr. was born in
5 Fort Worth, Texas, on March 24, 1932, and his
6 family moved to Lafayette, Louisiana, in the sum-
7 mer of 1948;

8 (2) in 1949, at age seventeen, Rodney Hamilton
9 joined the reserve components of the Marine Corps
10 at the urging of his football coach Lou Campbell
11 while attending Lafayette High School;

12 (3) Rodney Hamilton served the United States
13 during the Korean War, was wounded in combat in
14 September 1951, and was awarded the Purple
15 Heart;

16 (4) Rodney Hamilton loved the Marine Corps
17 and was proud of all Marines who served the United
18 States;

19 (5) Rodney Hamilton was a member of the Ma-
20 rine Corps League, the Military Order of the Purple
21 Heart, and the Veteran’s Action Coalition of South-
22 west Louisiana, where he served as Founder and
23 Chairman Emeritus;

24 (6) Rodney Hamilton served as a full-time
25 elected official in the Lafayette City Government

1 from 1968 through 1972 as a Trustee of Public
2 Property;

3 (7) Rodney Hamilton made numerous contribu-
4 tions to help make Lafayette a better place, includ-
5 ing leading efforts to secure and build the commu-
6 nity-based outpatient clinic of the Department of
7 Veterans Affairs in Lafayette, which opened in
8 2016;

9 (8) due to the dedication of Rodney Hamilton
10 in realizing the community-based outpatient clinic in
11 Lafayette, the street on which the clinic is located
12 was named in his honor and now bears signs saying,
13 “Veterans Way, Honorary Rodney Hamilton”; and

14 (9) Rodney Hamilton passed away at the age of
15 88 on November 30, 2020.

16 (b) DESIGNATION.—The community-based outpatient
17 clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Lafayette,
18 Louisiana, shall after the date of the enactment of this
19 Act be known and designated as the “Rodney C. Hamilton
20 Sr. VA Clinic”.

21 (c) REFERENCE.—Any reference in any law, regula-
22 tion, map, document, paper, or other record of the United
23 States to the clinic referred to in subsection (b) shall be

- 1 considered to be a reference to the Rodney C. Hamilton
- 2 Sr. VA Clinic.

Passed the House of Representatives July 15, 2026.

Attest:

Clerk.

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