

119TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4288

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 2, 2025

Mr. PANETTA (for himself and Mr. CALVERT) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

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

7 (2) From 1990 to 1994, Pat attended Leland
8 High School in San Jose, California, where he sub-
9 sequently helped lead his team to a Central Coast

1 Division I Football Championship. Shortly there-
2 after, Pat was offered a scholarship to and played
3 football for the Arizona State University Sun Devils.
4 While there, he led Arizona State to the 1997 Rose
5 Bowl after an undefeated season, earned three con-
6 secutive selections to the Pac-10 All-Academic Foot-
7 ball Team, a 1st team Academic All-American
8 honor, as well as the NCAA's Post-Graduate Schol-
9 arship for academic and athletic excellence.

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

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

17 (5) Pat and Kevin were subsequently assigned
18 to the second battalion of the 75th Ranger Regiment
19 in Fort Lewis, Washington. As an Army Ranger,
20 Pat deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom
21 in 2003 and Operation Enduring Freedom in 2004.

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

1 (7) Further investigation and subsequent re-
2 reporting confirmed Tillman was killed via fratricide
3 as he attempted to provide cover for fellow soldiers
4 as they endeavored to escape from a canyon wherein
5 they were trapped.

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

10 **SEC. 2. NAME OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
11 **COMMUNITY-BASED OUTPATIENT CLINIC,**
12 **SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.**

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

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