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S. 3559

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

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 18, 2025

Mr. SCHIFF (for himself and Mr. PADILLA) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and 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 Post-Graduate Scholarship of
9 the National Collegiate Athletic Association for aca-
10 demic and athletic excellence.

11 (3) Upon graduating college, Pat Tillman was
12 selected in the 7th round of the 1998 National Foot-
13 ball League Draft by the Arizona Cardinals.

14 (4) In July of 2002, less than 1 year after the
15 terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, Pat chose
16 to suspend a lucrative career in the National Foot-
17 ball League to join the United States Army along-
18 side his brother, Kevin.

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

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

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

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

13 **SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF CORPORAL PATRICK D. TILLMAN**
14 **VA CLINIC IN SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA.**

15 (a) DESIGNATION.—The community-based outpatient
16 clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in San Jose,
17 California, shall after the date of the enactment of this
18 Act be known and designated as the “Corporal Patrick
19 D. Tillman Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic” or the
20 “Corporal Patrick D. Tillman VA Clinic”.

21 (b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in any law, regula-
22 tion, map, document, paper, or other record of the United
23 States to the community-based outpatient clinic referred

- 1 to in subsection (a) shall be considered to be a reference
- 2 to the Corporal Patrick D. Tillman VA Clinic.

