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DESIGNATION PROVIDING FOR OF THE UNITED STATES VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL AT FARGO, N. DAK., AS THE CLARENCE THEODORE HOVERSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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Mr. Johnson of Colorado, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following

## REPORT

(To accompany S. 1915)

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1915) to provide for designation of the United States Veterans' Administration hospital at Fargo, N. Dak., as the Clarence Theodore Hoverson Memorial Hospital, having considered the same, report favorably thereon, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass.

The report from the Veterans' Administration on this bill is selfexplanatory and is as follows:

MAY 22, 1946.

Hon. WALTER F. GEORGE. Chairman, Committee on Finance, United States Senate, Washington, D. C.

My Dear Senator George: Further reference is made to your letter dated March 11, 1946, requesting a report on S. 1915, Seventy-ninth Congress, a bill to provide for designation of the United States Veterans' Administration hospital at Fargo, N. Dak., as the Clarence Theodore Hoverson Memorial Hospital, which reads as follows:

"That the United States Veterans' Administration hospital at Fargo, N. Dak., shall be known and designated on the public records as the Clarence Theodore

Hoverson Memorial Hospital."

The purpose of the bill is to honor the memory of the late Clarence Theodore

Hoverson by designating the Veterans' Administration hospital located at Fargo N. Dak., as the Clarence Theodore Hoverson Memorial Hospital.

Clarence Theodore Hoverson was born at Grafton, N. Dak. He attended school in North Dakota and was graduated with honors in 1917 from the College of Law, University of North Dakota. He served honorably in World War I as a first lieutenant, Field Artillery, from November 27, 1917. to September 15, 1919. Seventeen months of his military service was spent in France and Germany. On February 23, 1941, Mr. Hoverson was called into the active military service of the United States as a lieutenant colonel of Field Artillery. United States as a lieutenant colonel of Field Artillery He served in this capacity until September 30, 1941, when he reverted to inactive status, having been found. physically disqualified for active duty.

Mr. Hoverson was appointed to the Bureau of War Risk Insurance on June 17, 1920, and with the exception of time spent in military service, served continuously thereafter with that organization and its successor agencies. He was assigned as manager of the Veterans' Administration hospital at Fargo, N. Dak., at the time of its opening and remained in that capacity until his death on September 29, 1945.

In deference to the people of North Dakota, the Congress may wish to give consideration to the military, naval, or other services rendered by other citizens

of that State before taking final action on the joint resolution.

The Veterans' Administration hospitals have been named by legislative directive. They are the Royal C. Johnson Veterans' Memorial Hospital (Public Law 93, 79th Cong., approved June 29, 1945), and the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Hospital (Public Law 189, 79th Cong., approved September 26, 1945).

Two Veterans' Administration has no objection to a favorable report by your

committee on S. 1915, Seventy-ninth Congress.

Advice has been received from the Bureau of the Budget that there would be no objection by that office to the submission of this report to your committee.

Very truly yours,

OMAR N. BRADLEY General, United States Army, Administrator.