

ROYAL C. JOHNSON VETERANS HOSPITAL

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MR. BUSHFIELD, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 880]

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the bill (S. 880) to provide for designation of the United States Veterans' Administration hospital at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as the Royal C. Johnson Veterans Hospital, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

The purpose of the bill is to honor the memory of the late Royal C. Johnson by designating the Veterans' Administration facility now under construction at Sioux Falls, S. Dak., as the Royal C. Johnson Veterans Hospital.

A letter from the Administrator of Veterans' Affairs to the chairman of the committee reads in part as follows:

The Veterans' Administration for many reasons has refrained from naming any Veterans' Administration facilities after individuals. The only exception has been the Veterans' Administration at Hines, Ill., which was named "Edward Hines Junior Hospital" by an order of the Secretary of the Treasury dated October 24, 1921.

In view of the fact that the late Hon. Royal C. Johnson was a disabled veteran of World War I with a record of outstanding and distinguished service, and that he was the first chairman of the Committee on World War Veterans' Legislation, it would appear to be appropriate to designate the hospital in Sioux Falls in accordance with the provisions of this bill.

In view of the foregoing, the Veterans' Administration would recommend a favorable report by your Committee on S. 880, Seventy-ninth Congress.

The committee is in full accord with the purposes of the bill and recommend its enactment.

