

Proclamation

Honoring the Naming of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care System in Long Beach, CA, the "Tibor Rubin VA Medical Center"

- WHEREAS, On June 18, 1929, Mr. Tibor "Ted" Rubin was born in a Hungarian village and at the age of 13, Nazi soldiers forced him and his family to the Mauthausen Concentration Camp, where he remained until May 5, 1945, when American soldiers liberated him and other suffering prisoners from imminent death; and
- WHEREAS, In 1950, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and was sent to the front lines of Korea, where his heroic and selfless acts of bravery saved the lives of 40 war prisoners; and
- WHEREAS, Thirty years after leaving active duty, he and his family lived quietly in Garden Grove, CA; and
- WHEREAS, On September 23, 2005, Corporal Rubin was awarded the nation's highest military honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor, by U.S. President George W. Bush, for his courageous acts during the Korean War; and
- WHEREAS, On August 8, 2014, Tibor Rubin was rightfully honored by the U.S. Postal Service, and the City and community of Garden Grove, with a special dedication ceremony and unveiling of the U.S. Postal Service commemorative Medal of Honor Korean War Stamps featuring Tibor Rubin; and
- WHEREAS, On March 23, 2015, the City of Garden Grove further memorialized Rubin's courage and dedication with a commissioned bronzed bust, and re-naming his family's hometown library, the Garden Grove Tibor Rubin Library; and
- WHEREAS, On December 5, 2015, Tibor Rubin passed away at the age of 86. In November 2016 President Obama signed H.R. 6323, naming the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care System in Long Beach, CA, the "Tibor Rubin VA Medical Center."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the City of Garden Grove, does hereby take great pride in the naming of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care System to the "Tibor Rubin VA Medical Center" on May 10, 2017.

May 9, 2017



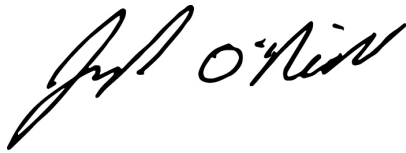
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