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Recognizing the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center on its 75th anniversary.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KUHLMAN of New York (for himself and Mr. ARCURI) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the Federal Board of Hospitalization selected Canandaigua, New York, as the site for a Veterans Administration Hospital in 1929;

Whereas the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs Medical Center ("VAMC") officially opened on February 6, 1933, with the arrival by train of 202 patients from Northport, New York, and 22 from Lyons, New Jersey;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC has introduced significant advances in the psychiatric treatment of hospitalized veterans since 1933, including the introduction of insulin treatment;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC became affiliated with the University of Rochester Medical School following World War II, thereby fostering increased community involvement within the hospital;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC introduced the open hospital concept during the 1950s, providing patients with increased freedom and greater responsibility for their own care and rehabilitation;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC became a member of the Veterans Integrated Service Network during the 1990s, shifting to an outpatient model of care with refined and specialized facilities;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC was designated a Mental Health Center of Excellence in 2005, advancing research for mental health issues affecting many veterans;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC opened a National Suicide Prevention Hot Line in 2007, to provide continuous national assistance for veterans from mental health professionals at Canandaigua;

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC employs 755 Full Time Equivalent Employees, who have honorably and wholeheartedly devoted themselves to serving our nation's bravest heroes; and

Whereas the Canandaigua VAMC continues to offer a full continuum of services to our Nation's veterans: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the United States House of Rep-
2 resentatives recognizes the Canandaigua Veterans Affairs
3 Medical Center for 75 years of outstanding, dedicated

- 1 service to our Nation's veterans, who have put their lives
- 2 on the line and served their country with honor.

