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Chairman Mark Takano  
House Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
335 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Mike Bost  
House Committee on Veterans' Affairs  
333 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Takano and Ranking Member Bost:

Please accept this letter as a demonstration of the total support of the American Legion Department of Colorado, in recognition of naming the new Veterans Administration Clinic in Aurora, Colorado as " John W. Mosley Veterans Clinic".

The Denver native was the first-ever black player on what is now the Colorado State University football team, and he was one of the first black men trained as a bomber pilot during the Second World War, serving with the famed Tuskegee Airmen before trading in his military service for a life of community leadership in Aurora.

The Tuskegee Airmen flew 15,000 missions over North Africa and Europe during the Second World War. John also would serve as a pilot in the Berlin Airlift after the war, delivering loads of supplies to the Soviet-blockaded sectors of the city.

The American Legion Department of Colorado would like to honor his amazing legacy of service to God, Country, his fellow veterans, and his community of Aurora, CO with our full support and we wholeheartedly support and encourage the committee to sponsor and support legislation naming the new Aurora Veterans Clinic after this distinguished WWII Veteran.

On behalf of the 21,000 members of The American Legion in Colorado I am proud to fully endorse this effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chip Kossow', is written over a horizontal line.

Chip Kossow  
Department Commander