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Attached for your consideration is H.R. 12018, sponsored by Representative Brademas, which amends the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to provide that the center for deaf-blind youths and adults established by the Act shall be known as the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults. The Center has been constructed on Sands Point, Long Island and is scheduled to be dedicated this month.

Additional information is provided in OMB's enrolled bill report at Tab A.

OMB, Max Friedersdorf, Counsel's Office (Lazarus) and I recommend approval of the enrolled bill.

RECOMMENDATION

That you sign H.R. 12018 at Tab B.
May 11, 1976

The Honorable James T. Lynn
Director, Office of Management
and Budget
Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Lynn:

This is in response to your request for a report on H.R. 12018, an enrolled bill "To amend the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to provide that the center for deaf-blind youths and adults established by such Act shall be known as the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults."

We believe the naming of the National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults in honor of Helen Keller is an appropriate tribute to a woman of remarkable ability and fortitude who devoted her life to the interests of the handicapped. We therefore have no objection to the renaming of the Center and thus recommend that the President approve the enrolled bill.

Sincerely,

Marjorie Lynch
Under Secretary
MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill H.R. 12018 - Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults
Sponsor - Rep. Brademas (D) Indiana

Last Day for Action
May 21, 1976 - Friday

Purpose
Names the National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults in honor of Helen Keller.

Agency Recommendations
Office of Management and Budget
Department of Health, Education, and Welfare

Approval

Discussion
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The bill was passed by the House under suspension of the rules and in the Senate by voice vote.

HEW notes that naming the Center for Miss Keller "is an appropriate tribute to a woman of remarkable ability and fortitude who devoted her life to the interests of the handicapped."

James M. Frey
Assistant Director for Legislative Reference

Enclosures
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: May 12
Time: 545pm

FOR ACTION:
Spencer Johnson
Max Friedersdorf (for information)
Ken Lazansky
Robert Hartmann

FOR ACTION:
Jack Marsh
Jim Cavanaugh
Ed Schmulian

FROM THE STAFF SECRETARY

DUE: Date: May 13
Time: 500pm

SUBJECT:
H.R. 12018 - Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults

ACTION REQUESTED:
- For Necessary Action
- For Your Recommendations
- Prepare Agenda and Brief
- Draft Reply
- For Your Comments
- Draft Remarks

REMARKS:
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K. R. COLE, JR.
For the President
FOR ACTION: Spencer Johnson  
Max Friedersdorf  
Ken Lazarus  
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Jim Cavanaugh  
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No objection -- Ken Lazarus 5/13/76

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James M. Cannon  
For the President
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James M. Cannon
For the President
MEMORANDUM FOR: JIM CANNON
FROM: MAX FRIEDERSDORF
SUBJECT: H.R. 12018 - Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults

The Office of Legislative Affairs has reviewed subject legislation and concurs that it be signed.
An Act

To amend the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to provide that the center for deaf-blind youths and adults established by such Act shall be known as the Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths and Adults.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 305 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 775), hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "Act", is amended by inserting "Helen Keller" immediately before "National Center" each place it appears therein.

(b) The second sentence of section 305(c) of the Act (29 U.S.C. 775(c)) is amended by striking out "such" the second place it appears therein and inserting in lieu thereof "the Helen Keller National".

Sec. 2. The heading for section 305 of the Act (29 U.S.C. 775) is amended to read as follows:

"HELEN KELLER NATIONAL CENTER FOR DEAF-BLIND YOUTHS AND ADULTS".

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Vice President of the United States and President of the Senate.
May 10, 19__

Dear Mr. Director:

The following bill: H.R. 12018

Please let the President have reports and recommendations as to the approval of this bill as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Linder
Chief Executive Clerk

The Honorable James T. Lynn
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, D.C.