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Dear Representative Hawkins:

In two weeks, I will again introduce "The Daniel James Memorial Center for Preventive Health Education Act." As you may remember this legislation would authorize funds for the construction of an educational facility at Tuskegee Institute in Alabama as a permanent tribute to General Daniel "Chappie" James, Jr..

Needless to say, the concepts embodied in the establishment of this Center are non-conventional in the health field. The Center will represent the first such effort in the South, perhaps in the country, to herald the new direction that health care must take in the remaining years of this country. The Center will emphasize preventive health education and effective health maintenance. The program components will be designed to instruct, communicate, develop, convey and practice total health. The facility will also serve as the repository for General James' memorabilia and as the Tuskegee Institute Art Musuem.

This is a pioneering effort honoring a man who was a great American patriot and a pioneer in racial equality in the Armed Forces. To have this tribute placed at Tuskegee where he received his education is fitting indeed.

I invite you to join me in co-sponsoring this legislation and making a reality this facility to honor a great American. Please contact me or my legislative assistant, Don Blumenthal at x57032 by July 5, if you would like to have your name added.

Sincerely,

*[Handwritten signature of Louis Stokes]*

Louis Stokes  
Member of Congress

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