

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1264

AN ACT

To designate the property between the United States Federal Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building located at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Tennessee, as the “M.D. Anderson Plaza” and to authorize the placement of a historical/identification marker on the grounds recognizing the achievements and philanthropy of M.D. Anderson.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds as follows:

5 (1) The Government has the responsibility to
6 honor and recognize Americans who have positively
7 impacted the welfare of other Americans.

8 (2) Monroe Dunaway Anderson, born in Jack-
9 son, Tennessee, in 1873, was one of the United
10 States' most successful agri-businessmen and re-
11 spected philanthropists.

12 (3) Monroe Dunaway Anderson, also known as
13 M.D. Anderson, attended public schools in Jackson,
14 Tennessee.

15 (4) After attending college in Memphis, Ten-
16 nessee, M.D. Anderson returned to Jackson, Ten-
17 nessee, to work at the People's National Bank.

18 (5) In 1904, M.D. Anderson, his older brother
19 Frank Anderson, along with Will Clayton, estab-
20 lished a partnership, Anderson, Clayton, and Com-
21 pany, to buy and sell cotton in Jackson, Tennessee.

22 (6) In 1945, Anderson, Clayton, and Company
23 was called the largest buyer, seller, storer, and ship-
24 per of raw cotton in the world by Fortune Magazine.

1 (7) In 1936, M.D. Anderson established the
2 M.D. Anderson Foundation. This foundation funded
3 the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center which grew into
4 the largest medical complex in the world, the Texas
5 Medical Center in Houston, Texas.

6 (8) M.D. Anderson's positive impact in the cot-
7 ton trade is still being felt by the cotton businesses
8 in and around Jackson, Tennessee, and throughout
9 the world.

10 (9) M.D. Anderson and his foundation's imprint
11 on medical research, education, and agri-business
12 should be memorialized in the town of his birth,
13 Jackson, Tennessee, and deems recognition.

14 **SEC. 2. M.D. ANDERSON PLAZA.**

15 (a) DESIGNATION.—The property in between the
16 United States Courthouse and the Ed Jones Building lo-
17 cated at 109 South Highland Avenue in Jackson, Ten-
18 nessee, shall be known and designated as the “M.D. An-
19 derson Plaza”.

20 (b) MARKER AND STATUES AUTHORIZED.—West
21 Tennessee Health Care Foundation is hereby authorized
22 to install in a prominent location on that portion of the
23 Plaza under the jurisdiction of the General Services Ad-
24 ministration—

1 (1) a Tennessee State Historical Society marker
2 recognizing the outstanding achievements in busi-
3 ness and philanthropy on the grounds between the
4 United States Courthouse and the Ed Jones Build-
5 ing; and

6 (2) a life-sized statue depicting M.D. Anderson,
7 with information recognizing persons who donated
8 funds for the manufacturing of the statues.

9 (c) DESIGN OF MARKER.—The marker authorized by
10 subsection (b)(1) shall be at least 42 inches in height.

11 (d) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.—No
12 Federal funds may be expended to design the marker, to
13 acquire the marker, to prepare the sight selected for the
14 marker, to install the marker, or to maintain the marker
15 or the statues authorized in subsection (b).

16 (e) APPROVAL.—

17 (1) SUBMISSION OF DESIGN.—The West Ten-
18 nessee Health Care Foundation shall consult with
19 the Administrator of General Services in the design
20 of the marker and statue authorized under sub-
21 section (b) and shall submit a design for approval.

22 (2) DESIGN APPROVAL.—The design of a mark-
23 er or statue as authorized under subsection (b) shall
24 be subject to the approval of the Administrator.

1 (3) TIMING OF REVIEW.—The Administrator
2 shall conduct a review of the design not later than
3 90 days after the submission of the design.

4 (4) FAILURE TO APPROVE.—In the event that
5 the Administrator fails to approve the design, the
6 Administrator shall submit a report to the Com-
7 mittee on Transportation and Infrastructure in the
8 House of Representatives and the Committee on En-
9 vironment and Public Works in the Senate detailing
10 the reasons for failing to approve the design.

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Attest:

Clerk.

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