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To: The Honorable Congressman Eric Swalwell

RE: Livermore VA Facilities

Dear Sir:

It has come to my attention that, in the course of the next several years, there may be the possibility of the Livermore VA facilities being closed due to funding restrictions. It is also come to our attention that the benefit that the Veterans have earned due to their service to our great country is also in jeopardy.

As a Veteran, I find this very unacceptable and appalling as well; moreover, that there are forces in our country willing to throw away what we have fought for so hard to preserve over the years. Facilities such as the VA in Livermore, Palo Alto, Menlo Park, Fremont and the services that they provide to us in the Bay Area can never be replaced. As you may know, many Veterans suffer from PTSD. Facilities such as Livermore, Palo Alto and their wonderful staffs have proven over the years to be valuable assets to our community, as well to our Veterans.

It is a sad state of affairs when our government can demand that Veterans' benefits be taken away at the drop of a hat. If one voice and one Veteran can make a difference, I hope it's mine and others alike who will stand up and be heard. Please, I implore you, on behalf of myself as a Veteran and those who rely on the services provided by the Livermore VA facility in the Bay Area, to please speak out and be our voice in Washington.

Again, I ask for your help on behalf of Veterans that you serve, so that we may save our VA facilities and the fine people who staff them.

Thank you for your time and energy.

Respectfully,