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Rolle-ing along

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The Myron Rolle name established a legacy Florida State fans will never forget, and even though he is now a graduate, his accomplishments still manage to grow.

Outside of being the backbone of the Tribe's secondary for his three seasons in Tallahassee, Rolle was named this past November as one of 32 Rhodes Scholarship winners — arguably one of the most prestigious academic honors in all of higher education.

Now for an encore performance, the Associated Press Third Team All-American selection announced plans to build the Myron L. Rolle Medical Clinic and Sports Complex, in Steventon, Exuma in the Bahamas where the Rolle family resides.

“My family and I are extremely proud to announce the construction of this Medical Clinic and Sports Complex, which will provide much needed medical resources to an area of the world that is near and dear to our hearts,” Rolle said. “While I was born in the U.S., the Bahamas is where my parents, Whitney, Beverly (Rolle) and three of my brothers were born and raised.

“I have always thought of the Bahamas as my second home.”

The Complex will provide free health services to residents of Exuma, as well as a state-of-the-art wellness and training facilities for athletes and visitors.

Carried out in accordance with the Bahamas Ministry of Health and the Florida State University College of Medicine, a capital campaign is now underway to fund construction of the Complex coordinated through the Myron L. Rolle Foundation, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization incorporated in the United States.

The clinic will be built in multiple phases with the first being the main health center facility. Partnered with that initial phase, a project will begin immediately to build a new Memorial Park adjacent to the clinic site, featuring the statue of Pompey and restoration of a historic jailhouse as a museum. The FSU College of Medicine is teaming up with the Foundation to advise on the project, as well as launch a new initiative through its FSU Cares Program to bring a medical mission to Exuma each year.

During the program, Florida State medical students and doctors will travel to the Bahamas and provide free medical care and supplies to Exumians.

This year, Rolle, who graduated from Florida State in December 2008 with a pre-med degree and as a Rhodes Scholar, will work toward a Masters Degree in Medical Anthropology from Oxford University in England.

While planning to enter the National Football League Draft in 2010 to pursue an NFL career, Rolle eventually intends to become a medical surgeon after his time on the gridiron.

For more information on the Myron L. Rolle Foundation, visit [www.MyronRolle.com](http://www.MyronRolle.com).

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