

Riverside, Illinois. Richard Scheck will be retiring in April after having given 20 years of dedicated public service as the mayor of North Riverside.

Richard Scheck was first elected to his post as mayor in 1989. He has garnered statewide recognition for his excellent record of financial management and achievement, effective communication with residents and businesses, and earnest work for the health and wellbeing of the North Riverside community. I have been honored to work with Mayor Scheck on numerous issues to help our constituents. Richard Scheck has been a true public servant, selflessly giving his time and energy to his community while also running a successful engineering company. Through his 20 years as mayor, he has made North Riverside an even better place to live.

Richard Scheck has also been very successful in his philanthropic work to raise money to fight breast cancer. Through the "Betty Scheck Walk for Cancer," the "Betty Scheck Shuffle," and other fundraisers, he has helped raise over \$1.2 million for the American Cancer Society. And in 2007, Seguin Services—which helps children and adults with disabilities—awarded Richard Scheck the President's Award for "his support as a community leader, a donor, an employer, a connector and as an inspiration to others."

I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the many achievements of Mayor Richard M. Scheck. It is my honor to acknowledge him for his outstanding leadership and commitment to public service in the Village of North Riverside and the Third Congressional District of Illinois.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. FRANK A. LoBIONDO

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. LoBIONDO. Madam Speaker, as per the requirements of the Republican Conference Rules on earmarks, I secured the following earmark in H.R. 1105.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LoBIONDO (NJ-02)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Interior and Environment; Environmental Protection Agency, Environmental Programs and Management

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Rural Water Association

Address of Requesting Entity: 2915 South 13th St., Duncan, OK 73533

Description of Request: A joint request to provide an earmark of \$11.5 million to support rural water grassroots environmental and compliance initiatives, specifically rural water technical assistance, source water protection and ground water protection in New Jersey and across the nation.

A PROCLAMATION CONGRATULATING THE CHILlicothe HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING SQUAD ON THEIR EIGHTH STATE TITLE

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker:

Whereas, the Chillicothe High School Cheerleading Squad has won the Ohio State Title in the Division II Mount Category; and

Whereas, having won in 2007 they have now reclaimed their state title; and

Whereas, the CHS Cheerleading squad has worked long, tireless hours to perfect their routines; therefore, be it

Resolved that with the parents, friends, students of CHS and alumni of the CHS Cheerleading Squad, along with the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate the squad on their eighth Ohio State Title, and commend them on their hard work, and winning spirit.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 1105, Consolidated Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2009.

Project Name: Chesapeake Bay Oyster Recovery

Account/Amount: Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE): Construction, \$2,000,000

Requested By: ACOE Norfolk District Capability/Virginia Institute of Marine Science

Project Description: Project will contribute to multi-agency and private efforts to restore oyster populations in the Chesapeake Bay. The project elements include; development of decision documents, construction and rehabilitation of oyster reefs to create sanctuaries and spat on shell production areas, development of capability to produce disease tolerant broodstock and spat oysters for seeding, planting of the disease tolerant spat and brood-stock oysters in locations which best foster oyster reproduction and health, and oversight of project monitoring by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS). Construction of the first phase of reefs in the Lynnhaven river was completed in 2007. Reefs have added approximately 200 million oysters to the Great Wicomico system.

Financial Plan: FY09 funds would be used to initiate and complete construction and monitoring of approximately 30 acres of oyster reefs in the Lynnhaven and Great Wicomico rivers, and partnering with the Baltimore District, ACOE, for development of the bay-wide Oyster Restoration Master Plan Decision Document. The ACOE estimated on 2/5/09 that the estimated federal cost is \$50,000,000 and the estimated non-federal cost is \$66,700,000. The project received \$19,213,000 through FY07 and \$1,968,000 in FY08.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN M. McHUGH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 1105 FY 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act:

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN MCHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Environmental Programs and Management

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Rural Water Association

Address of Requesting Entity: 2915 South 13th Street, Duncan OK 73533.

Description: Provide an earmark of \$11,500,000 to help ensure that small communities operate safe, clean water supplies and comply with federal environmental mandates. I certify that I have no financial interest in this project

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 1105, FY2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act:

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$346,000 for fire blight research at Michigan State University. Approximately, \$148,000 is for the salaries of laboratory and field research personnel; and \$36,000 is for materials and supplies. Michigan State University has obtained funding from the Michigan Apple Committee and industry sources and will continue to fund the fire blight research at MSU at a level of \$52,500 in FY09.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$104,000 for research of Armillaria Root Rot. Approximately, \$84,000 is for the salaries of

laboratory researchers; \$9,000 is for operating costs; \$1,000 is for travel to field sites; and \$10,000 is for equipment necessary.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$246,000 for research of Bovine Tuberculosis. Approximately, \$174,252 is for Salaries and support for 2 graduate students; \$72,978 is for Laboratory supplies; and \$8,770 for research related travel. Michigan State University will provide \$127,500 in-kind funding.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$147,000 to improve fruit practices for sugar beets and dry beans. Approximately, \$101,440 is for salaries and expenses and \$40,560 is for lab maintenance and equipment. In addition to the federal funds provided by this grant, this research is supported by personnel, equipment, and facilities funded by the Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station and Michigan State University Extension.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$266,000 to enhance the environmental sustainability of food and agricultural systems under research at Michigan State University. Approximately, \$325,000 is for salaries of 11 researchers; \$5,000 is for travel expenses; \$10,000 is for farmer stipends; \$15,000 is for materials and supplies; and \$45,000 is for communication and outreach. Michigan State University expects to leverage at least \$150,000 in state, local, and private funds to expand the impacts of the special grant.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 484 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$4,545,000 for wood utilization. The requested

funds will be used for salaries of key personnel and graduate students. Grant funds will also be used to purchase equipment, materials and supplies needed. Michigan State University provides in excess of \$500,000 in support of this project annually through use of lab space, equipment, and personnel assigned to the project.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Natural Resources Conservation

Address of Requesting Entity: 2805 S. Industrial Hwy, Suite 100, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$404,000 for reducing soil erosion and controlling sediment. Grant funds will be used for salaries, materials and supplies and for equipment purchases and travel costs.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 109 Agriculture Hall, East Lansing, Michigan 48824

Description of Request: Provide \$346,000 in funding for Phytophthora research at Michigan State University. Approximately 85 percent of the funding will go to researchers, technicians and students. Approximately 15 percent will be used for materials, supplies and administration. Michigan State University has received outside sources of funding for Phytophthora research as well. This funding is consistent with the authorized purpose of the Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Agriculture/Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Services (USDA/CSREES) Special Grants Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 302 Administration Building, East Lansing, MI, 48824-9190

Description of Request: Provide \$384,000 for detailed investigation of the most promising technologies to determine the value proposition that is needed to interest commercial partners in the further development of bio based production of fuels, chemicals, and materials. Funds will cover salaries; materials and supplies; and equipment purchases and travel costs.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Lansing

Address of Requesting Entity: 124 W. Michigan Avenue, 9th Floor, Lansing, MI 48933

Description of Request: Provide \$500,000 to enable the procurement of crime-fighting technology critical to the safety of the community.

Approximately 35% for a Fiber Optic Communications Network; 25% for an In-Car Video Camera System; 20% for a Public Video Surveillance System; 10% for a Patrol Vehicle Laptop Workstation Replacement; and 10% for a Detention Camera Replacement. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the COPS Law Enforcement Technology account. At least \$500,000 in local City of Lansing funds will be provided as matching funds. Lansing public safety capabilities lag current standards in law enforcement, and require upgrading in order to best secure the jurisdiction. Through support requested of the federal government, the City of Lansing would be able to realize significant integrated upgrades.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Energy's Solar and Renewable Energy Account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 20634, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Description of Request: Provide \$475,750 for detailed investigation of the most promising technologies to determine the value proposition that is needed to interest commercial partners in the further development of bio based production of fuels, chemicals, and materials. Funds will cover salaries; materials and supplies; and equipment purchases and travel costs.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Department of Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Michigan State University

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 20634, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Description of Request: Provide \$3,806,000 for research and commercialization for clean energy, national energy security, and a cleaner environment. Approximately, 7.4% for peer reviewed competitions and 92.6% is for research projects. The Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research has stated that they are able to match Federal funds, on average, 130% with non-federal funds. Industry also provides at least 50% cash matching, additional in-kind matching, and substantial investments in technology development.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: United States Army Corps of Engineers

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The City of Lansing

Address of Requesting Entity: 124 W. Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI 48933

Description of Request: Provide \$48,000 for Grand River Waterfront Restoration—next phase planning activities based on 2004 Corps Pre-Planning Reconnaissance Study for Grand River shoreline and habitat restoration, including potential modifications to Moores and North Lansing Dams.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity Cleary University

Address of Requesting Entity: 3750 Cleary Drive, Howell, Michigan 48843

Description of Request: \$475,750 for the design and implementation of a Geothermal Energy System at the Livingston Campus Community Center, part of a broader renovation of the Livingston Campus Community Center. Approximately 15% of funding will be used on Design and Engineering of the Geo-thermal field, 40% will be used for Well Drilling and Piping and 45% will be used for circulation pumps, equipment and installation.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Financial Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity Cleary University

Address of Requesting Entity: 3750 Cleary Drive, Howell, Michigan 48843

Description of Request: To provide \$100,000 for the development of a Micro Business Incubator at Cleary University in Howell, Michigan. Approximately \$80,000 of the funding will go toward the acquisition of a suitable adjacent building, \$11,000 of the funding will go toward renovations and \$9,000 will go toward office equipment.

MAUREEN McCARRICK 2009 PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARD MARYLAND RECIPIENT

HON. ROSCOE G. BARTLETT

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. BARTLETT. Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate and honor a young student from my district who has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service in her community. Maureen McCarrick of Myersville has been named one of the top honorees in Maryland by the 2009 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program, an annual honor conferred on the most impressive student volunteers in each state and the District of Columbia.

Ms. McCarrick is being recognized for co-founding a children's theatre troupe that stages performances every summer to benefit disabled and disadvantaged people in her community. What started as a show for neighbors and friends in the backyard, the production of the Kids Theatre grew over time with performances now taking place at a town pavilion and on a high school stage. In addition to canned food, the troupe has raised thousands of dollars through ticket sales to buy benefits for struggling families and individuals.

I believe it is vital that we encourage and support the kind of selfless contribution that Maureen has made. People of all ages need to think more about how we, as individual citizens, can work together at the local level to ensure the health and vitality of our towns and neighborhoods.

I heartily applaud Ms. McCarrick for her initiative in seeking to make her community a better place to live, and for the positive impact she has had on the lives of others. Her actions show that young Americans can—and do—play important roles in our communities, and that America's community spirit continues to hold tremendous promise for the future.

Young volunteers like Maureen are inspiring examples to all of us, and are among our brightest hopes for a better tomorrow.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 1105, FY2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act:

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: STAG Water and Wastewater Infrastructure

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Mason, Michigan

Address of Requesting Entity: 201 West Ash St. Mason, MI 48854

Description of Request: City of Mason Water Treatment Plant \$500,000.00 The purpose of this project is to construct a water treatment plant for use by the City of Mason. The Water Treatment facility is necessary to comply with federal water safety regulations.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Science and Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The Consortium for Plant Biotechnology

Address of Requesting Entity: PO Box 20634 St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Description of Request: \$750,000 for research and commercialization of clean energy technologies. Approximately, 7.4% for peer reviewed competitions and 92.6% is for research projects. The Consortium for Plant Biotechnology Research has stated that they are able to match Federal funds, on average, 130% with non-federal funds. Industry also provides at least 50% cash matching, additional in-kind matching, and substantial investments in technology development.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Fund to Improve Post-Secondary Education

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lansing Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 210 W Shiawassee St, Lansing, MI 48933

Description of Request: To provide \$190,000 to create a Military Medic Transition Program to allow military medics to transition first to civilian paramedic certification and then through a fast-track nursing program. Approximately \$85,000 for curriculum development; \$85,000 for personnel; and \$20,000 for recruiting and marketing. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Fund to Improve Post-Secondary Education account. In a short period of time, this innovative program has the ability to provide fast-track training to job seekers and assistance to hospitals and first responders in filling their vacancies. The potential impact of this program has been recognized by the State of Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth, Primia Civitas Foundation, Sparrow Health Care Systems, Capitol Health Care Employment Council, and Delhi Township Fire Department; all whom have indicated their support for this initiative.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Employment and Training Administration

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oakland Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 2480 Opdyke Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-2266

Description of Request: To provide \$285,000 for an educational consortium to support the economic transformation in Michigan from manufacturing to knowledge-based. Approximately \$134,000 is for Salaries, Wages and Benefits; \$34,000 for consulting services; \$67,000 for Consortium Sub-contracts; \$23,000 for supplies and materials; \$20,000 for technology and equipment; and \$7,000 for communication and printing. The focus of the project in 2009 will be expanding the consortium from supporting Oakland County's "Emerging Sectors" initiative to supporting workforce and economic development initiatives throughout southeast Michigan. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Employment and Training Administration account. The project is a continuation and expansion of an FY2008 appropriation. The project is supported by the Education and Workforce Committee of the Oakland County Business Roundtable, Oakland County government, local and state economic development entities and the Workforce Development system. The Oakland County Michigan Works! Agency is underwriting the cost of a skills assessment inventory—a critical foundational piece for the Educational Consortium—at cost of \$280,000.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: Fund for the Improvement of Post-secondary Education

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Cleary University

Address of Requesting Entity: 3750 Cleary Drive, Howell, Michigan 48843

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$238,000 for an Early College Dual Enrollment Program. Approximately 36% for computers, printers and servers; 18% for lab equipment; 18% for interior enhancements; 13% for classroom furniture and supplies; and 13% for virtual classroom enhancements. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education account. Cleary University maintains and is working to expand an Early College partnership with local public schools to provide collegiate level instruction for high school students. These funds would directly benefit Kensington Wood High School, Livingston Education Service Agency, Brighton Area Schools, Hartland Area Schools, Howell Public Schools, and Pinckney Community Schools.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (MI)

Bill Number: H.R. 1105

Account: IM

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The Road Commission of Oakland County

Address of Requesting Entity: 31001 Lahser Road, Beverly Hills, Michigan 48025

Description of Request: Provide funding of \$237,500 for the purchase of right of ways necessary to complete the widening of Baldwin Road from two lanes to a four lane boulevard between Brown Road and Waldon Road,