

life after birth. The Apgar Score measures a newborn's appearance, pulse, grimace, activity and respiration. It has helped predict newborn survival and reduce infant mortality. Her efforts have changed the lives of millions.

Dr. Apgar was a dedicated advocate of the March of Dimes. She initiated programs to promote rubella immunization for infants and helped convene the first Committee on Pre-natal Health, which produced a milestone study on the regionalization of pre-natal care in the United States in 1976.

While Dr. Virginia Apgar is not with us today, I would like to commend her for her lifetime of achievements. Not only do parents around the world appreciate her Apgar Scores, she has made numerous contributions to infant health.

It is my pleasure to remember Virginia Apgar on the anniversary of her 100th birthday and share her wonderful life story with my colleagues in the United States Congress and with the American people.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. PUTNAM. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2847, the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman ADAM H. PUTNAM

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Account: Department of Justice-Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Meth Project Funding Amount: \$250,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Hillsborough County

Address of Requesting Entity: 3110 Clay Mangum Lane, Tampa, Florida 33618

Description of Request: On behalf of Hillsborough County, I respectfully requested \$250,000 in funding for the County's Methamphetamine Enforcement and Cleanup project. Methamphetamine use and distribution is a major problem in the Tampa Bay/Hillsborough County area. Realizing that methamphetamine has clear and tragic consequences, whether it's the obvious striking physical and mental affects or the cleanup of the toxic production laboratories, Hillsborough County will use this funding to combat this problem through meth prevention, treatment and the cleanup of drug sites.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PAUL C. BROWN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. BROWN. Madam Speaker, yesterday, I was unable to vote on the following bills: H. Res. 430, H.R. 2325, H.R. 729, and H. Res. 540. If I had been able to make these votes, I would have voted "yea" on H. Res. 430, "yea" on H.R. 2325, "nay" on H.R. 729, and "yea" on H. Res. 540.

TRIBUTE TO COACH JACK DOSS AND THE S.R. BUTLER HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. PARKER GRIFFITH

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Coach Jack Doss and the S.R. Butler High School basketball team from Huntsville, Alabama. Along with assistant coaches Charlie Steele, Terry Mitchell, Arthur Wesley and Michael Freeman, Coach Doss led the Rebels to a second straight 5A State Basketball Championship and Butler's fourth of the past six years.

Though one of the smallest high schools in Division 5A, S.R. Butler High School has always upheld the highest standards of excellence in all its endeavors, and this team of outstanding athletes is no exception.

I commend the leadership of Principal Jacqueline Wyse and Coach Doss on their successful careers with Butler High and look forward to the continuation of a tradition of solid and consistent performance in academics and athletics.

Madam Speaker, I congratulate Coach Doss and the entire S.R. Butler High School administration and staff for their commitment to achieving this championship.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. MANZULLO. Madam Speaker, on Monday, June 15, 2009, I was unable to return to Washington in time to vote because of airplane mechanical problems. If I was here, I would have voted "yea" on Rollcall No. 336, "yea" on Rollcall No. 337, "no" on Rollcall No. 338, because while the bill has a noble goal, the legislation imposes yet another federal mandate on local schools, and "yea" on Rollcall No. 339.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I obtained as part of H.R. 2487.

Requesting Member: Congressman RON PAUL

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: NASA

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership

Address of Requesting Entity: 2525 Bay Area Blvd., Suite 640, Houston, TX 77058

Description of Request: An earmark of \$1,000,000 to fund the Bay Area SATOP program to transfer the knowledge and technology of the U.S. Space Program to small

businesses. SATOP provides technical assistance to small businesses.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CAROLYN MCCARTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York. Madam Speaker, yesterday, I missed one vote. Had I been present, I would have voted on the following: Rollcall No. 337, on the motion to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 2325, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Matamoros Street in Laredo, Texas, as the "Laredo Veterans Post Office," I would have voted "yea."

IN HONOR OF REV. JOSEPH ROBERSON FOR HIS SERVICE TO SOUTH COLUMBUS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Reverend Joseph Roberson of Columbus, Georgia, who has for the past 15 years served with unwavering love and devotion as the Senior Pastor of South Columbus United Methodist. On June 17, 2009, Reverend Roberson will resign his pastoral duties to serve as the Statesboro District Superintendent, where he will minister to 82 churches and 53 pastors.

Under Reverend Joseph Roberson's leadership these past 15 years, South Columbus United Methodist has grown from 45 members to now more than 800 members. It established a Hispanic Ministry and added an Associate Pastor to the church leadership team. Reverend Roberson has touched many lives through his ministry at South Columbus United Methodist. To his parishioners, he is a pastor, an evangelist, a prophet, a teacher, a counselor, and a friend.

A native of Waynesboro, Georgia, Reverend Roberson first joined the ministry in 1978 with the Statesboro District of the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church (UMC). Over the next 16 years, his career took him from there to the West Point Parish (1980-1983), Speedwell UMC in Savannah, Georgia (1983-1985), Council on Ministries (1985-1991), the National Black Methodists for Church Renewal in Dayton, Ohio (1991-1994), and finally to the South Columbus UMC in 1994.

I appreciate the impact that Reverend Joseph Roberson and the South Columbus United Methodist Church have made on the city of Columbus. The church has become a spiritual pillar of the Columbus community reaching out to those in need and comforting those who are suffering.

I am truly honored to be able to call Reverend Roberson a fellow Georgian. His faithfulness and dedication are rare traits. I thank him for his years of service at South Columbus United Methodist and I wish him Godspeed in the next phase of his life.