

hometown neighborhood. After studying in Italy for several years, Anthony returned to the United States and began working with senior citizens in Boston's North End, many of whom were immigrants from Italy. His passion for Italian history only strengthened as he spent more time with them and he began to record their conversations to be sure that the stories were captured accurately. Anthony's first book, Boston's North End: Images and Recollections of an Italian American Neighborhood, was a compilation of those stories and its success led to his second book, The Italian American Experience in New Haven. Collections of photographs and oral histories, each brings a unique perspective of the Italian American experience in these two cities and his hometown of New Haven could not be more proud.

Today, as he is recognized by the Societa' Santa Maria Maddalena, I am honored to join all of those who have gathered this evening in extending my sincere thanks and appreciation to Anthony Riccio for his many invaluable contributions to our community. I would also like to extend my best wishes to him, his wife Dorothy, and his daughter, Annalisa, on this very special occasion.

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DR.
CAESAR ARTHUR WALTER CLARK

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Reverend Dr. Caesar Arthur Walter Clark, a remarkable and compassionate leader whose legacy has touched so many North Texans. Reverend Clarke passed on July 27, 2008. His is a deep loss felt by his family, his church congregation, the North Texas community, the State of Texas, and most assuredly, our nation. Reverend Clarke will long be remembered for his social activism and advocacy on behalf of those individuals suffering from poverty, homelessness, and injustice. He fought for the common person and his influence was far reaching, both inside and outside the African American community.

Reverend Clark was born in Shreveport, Louisiana and attended the public schools in his native state. He was converted to Christianity in 1928 at age 14. Pastor Clark began preaching in April 1929, and was ordained four years later in 1933. His first pastorate at age 19 was the Israelite Baptist Church in Longstreet, Louisiana.

Dr. Clark has served as the venerated pastor of Good Street Baptist Church in Dallas for over 58 years. He has delivered his vibrant sermons all over the world during his extraordinary career in the clergy. In addition, he has served as president of the Missionary Baptist Association of Texas and as vice president of the National Baptist Convention.

While his professional focus has always been squarely on the valued worshippers at Good Street Baptist, Dr. Clark is also an involved community leader who continues to enjoy membership on the Boy Scouts of America Advisory Committee and the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce. In addition, Dr. Clark played an active role in our Nation's civil rights struggle. Perhaps most notably he was

responsible for drawing Dr. Martin Luther King to his church in 1958 for his first of many speeches in Dallas.

Madam Speaker, Dr. Caesar A.W. Clark's life is one of dedicated service, compassion, faith and devotion. For all these reasons, please join me in expressing our heartfelt sympathy to his wife, Carolyn Elaine Clark; his son, Dr. Caesar Arthur Walter Clark, Jr.; daughter-in-law, Dr. Sylvia Clark; granddaughter, Chelsi Om'Nira Clark; step daughter, Tonya Bunche; step son, Maurice Bunche and his many relatives and friends.

I urge my colleagues to please join me in conveying our gratitude to his family for sharing this great man with us, and to accept our condolences for their tremendous loss. He was an inspiration to us all.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. FRANK A. LOBIONDO

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Mr. LOBIONDO. Madam Speaker, as per the requirements of the Republican Conference Rules on earmarks, I secured the following earmark in H.R. 6599.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LOBIONDO (NJ-02).

Bill Number: H.R. 6599.

Account: Air Force, Military Construction, Air National Guard.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: 177th Fighter Wing.

Address of Requesting Entity: 400 Langley Road, Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234.

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$8.4 million for the construction of Phase I of a two phase Operations and Training Facility for the 177th Fighter Wing at the Atlantic City International Airport in Egg Harbor Township, NJ. The facility will house key wing administrative functions to better enable the 177th to perform its Air Sovereignty Alert mission in defense of the homeland.

CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. JOHN GEORGE, SUPERVISORY RESEARCH ENTOMOLOGIST AND LABORATORY DIRECTOR/RESEARCH LEADER, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE, KERRVILLE, TX

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, today I want to congratulate Dr. John George on the occasion of his retirement after 28 years of Federal service with the United States Department of Agriculture.

Through his continued effort and diligence, Dr. George has established a distinguished career in both academia and research. In 1979, Dr. George joined the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) as Research Leader of the Tick Research Unit of the Knippling-Bushland U.S. Livestock Insects Research

Laboratory, KBUSLIRL, Kerrville, TX. Dr. George is currently the Research Leader of all Current Research Information System projects at the KBUSLIRL, and in addition was designated Laboratory Director in 1999. Dr. George's work with the Cattle Fever Tick Eradication Program has been instrumental in protecting the U.S. cattle industry from Texas Cattle Fever Ticks.

In addition to the many contributions that Dr. George has made to the ARS, KBUSLIRL, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, APHIS, Veterinary Services, and international tick control organizations, he has been an active leader of various professional organizations. He has served as President of the Acarological Society of America, President of the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America, the Southwestern Branch Representative to the Governing Board of the ESA, and Vice-chairmanship to the Parasitic Diseases Committee of the U.S. Animal Health Association. In addition, to numerous societal committee assignments he has served on the editorial boards of three ESA Journals. In 2003, his peers in livestock entomology recognized his devotion and contributions to his profession when he was presented with the Life-Time Achievement Award, sponsored by Bayer Animal Health, at the 47th Annual Livestock Insect Workers Conference, Atlantic Beach, NC.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM K. KOWALSKI, ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE, DETROIT DIVISION, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the accomplishments of William J. Kowalski, who is retiring after 25 years of service in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Throughout his career with the FBI he has served his country with honor and distinction.

Following his training at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia, Mr. Kowalski began his career with the Bureau in Detroit. During his time with the Bureau, Mr. Kowalski moved quickly through the ranks, a testament to his dedication and commitment to his job. He served tours of duty in Memphis, Tennessee, and New York City.

After his exceptional work in the field he was promoted to a supervisory position at FBI Headquarters in Washington, DC. During his service Special Agent Kowalski was responsible for managing counterintelligence and espionage investigations. After the Berlin Wall fell Mr. Kowalski was one of the first agents to travel to Eastern Europe.

Mr. Kowalski eventually returned home to serve in Michigan, this time in a supervisory role for the Flint and Ann Arbor Resident Agencies of the FBI. In 2004, Mr. Kowalski was promoted to his current position of Assistant Special Agent in Charge in Detroit. While in this position Mr. Kowalski led Detroit's counterterrorism efforts which are so crucial to our nation's security today.

Mr. Kowalski's relentless hard work and dedication was recognized numerous times as

evidenced by his outstanding law enforcement record and repeated promotions within the Bureau. Throughout his career he has exemplified the FBI's motto of Fidelity, Bravery, and Integrity by serving and protecting the people of Michigan and citizens across United States.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring William J. Kowalski for his model service to United States law enforcement and his commitment to his country. He is truly deserving of our respect and admiration.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit documentation consistent with the new Republican earmark standards.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN R. CARTER.

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—The Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2009.

Account: Military Construction, Army.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Fort Hood, TX.

Address of Receiving Entity: U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Hood, Bldg. 1001, Rm. W321, Fort Hood, TX 75544.

Description of Request: I have secured \$32,000,000 in funding in H.R. 6599 in the Military Construction, Army account for Unit Maintenance Facilities at Fort Hood, TX.

This funding will construct standard design unit maintenance facilities. Primary facilities to include vehicle maintenance shops, company operations facilities with covered hardstand, oil storage buildings, organizational unit storage buildings, Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Maintenance Hangar, UAS taxiways and bridge, and organizational vehicle parking. Install intrusion detection systems (IDS) for arms rooms. Connect Energy Management Control System (EMCS) to base-wide network. Special foundations are required due to expansive soils. Sustainable Design and Development (SDD) and Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct05) features will be provided. Supporting facilities include electrical, water, sanitary sewer, and natural gas utilities; fire protection and alarm systems; security lighting; fencing, paving, walks, curbs and gutters; storm drainage; access roads; information systems; landscaping; and site improvements. Access for persons with disabilities will be provided in public areas. Heating and air-conditioning will be provided by self-contained units. Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection (AT/FP) measures will be provided by structural reinforcement, mass notification system, special windows and doors, high curbing, and other site improvements to secure perimeter and maintain stand-off distances. Comprehensive building and furnishings related interior design services are required. Air-conditioning (estimated 300 tons).

Fort Hood, Texas, is a strategic installation for the Army. This project was programmed to receive funding in Fiscal Year 2009. This

project is necessary to support the troop increase requested by the Secretary of Defense as part of the "Grow the Force" initiative for the Army.

Military Construction projects are always 100 percent funded by the U.S. Federal Government so there is no opportunity for matching funds.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN R. CARTER.

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—The Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2009.

Account: Military Construction, Air Force.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Fort Hood, TX.

Address of Receiving Entity: U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Hood, Bldg. 1001, Rm. W321, Fort Hood, TX 75544.

Description of Request: I have secured \$10,800,000 in authorization funding in H.R. 6599 in the Military Construction, Air Force account for a TACP Joint Air Ground Center at Fort Hood, TX.

This project will construct a Joint Air Ground Center to support the administrative, training, vehicle and equipment maintenance and storage requirements for the 3rd Air Support Operations Group and the 9th Air Support Operations Squadron at Fort Hood, TX. The construction will include reinforced concrete foundation and floor slabs, metal frame work, masonry walls, roof system, fire detection/protection system, utilities, pavements, site improvements, special foundations, communication support, and demolition and asbestos abatement of five facilities (3,611 SM). This project will comply with DoD antiterrorism/force protection requirements per Unified Facilities Criteria.

Fort Hood, Texas is a strategic installation for the Army. This project was programmed to receive funding in Fiscal Year 2009. The project is necessary to support the mission of the 3rd Air Support Operations Group and the 9th Air Support Operations Squadron at Fort Hood, Texas.

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Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN R. CARTER.

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—The Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2009.

Account: Military Construction, Army.

Legal Name of Receiving Entity: Fort Hood, TX.

Address of Receiving Entity: U.S. Army Garrison, Fort Hood, Bldg. 1001, Rm. W321, Fort Hood, TX 75544.

Description of Request: I have secured \$17,500,000 in funding in H.R. 6599 in the Military Construction, Army account for a Chapel with Religious Education Center project at Fort Hood, TX.

This project will construct a standard design chapel complex and religious education center. Primary facilities include a chapel complex, religious education center, administrative area, conference rooms, library, multipurpose activity area, kitchen and storage areas, fire alarm and fire suppression systems, connection to Installation Energy Management Con-

trol System (ECMS), and building information systems. Special foundations are required due to the expansive soils. Supporting facilities include electrical, water, sanitary sewer, and natural gas utilities; storm drainage; chilled water distribution; paving, walks, curbs and gutters; security lighting, information systems; landscaping and site improvements. Heating will be provided by self-contained natural gas units. Access for the handicapped will be provided. Comprehensive Interior Design package is required. Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection (AT/FP) measures include mass notification system, structural reinforcement, special doors and windows, high curbing, and other measures to maintain stand-off distance.

Fort Hood, Texas is a strategic installation for the Army. This project was programmed to receive funding in Fiscal Year 2012, but was identified by the garrison commander as the highest unfunded priority in Fiscal Year 2009. The project is necessary to improve psychological and spiritual care for the soldiers and their families.

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HONORING THE CITY OF MISHAWAKA ON ITS 175TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOE DONNELLY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

Mr. DONNELLY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the City of Mishawaka, which is celebrating its 175th anniversary.

The Second District of Indiana is proud to have cities like Mishawaka that exemplify Hoosier values and emphasize the importance of community. Built along the St. Joseph River and named after Princess Mishawaka, daughter of Shawnee Chief Elkhart, Mishawaka has been an evolving city reflecting the needs of the world while maintaining its own culture.

Founded in 1831 and incorporated in 1833, Mishawaka grew from a mining town to the "Peppermint Capital" to a thriving city which is now home to the only Hummer H1 and H2 assembly plants in the United States. Mishawaka is also home to the Grape Road Commercial Corridor, the second largest retail market in the State of Indiana. Mishawaka's picturesque downtown area is undergoing a revitalization with the addition of retail, restaurants and homes that maintain the small town character that defines the city.

Mishawaka has a rich cultural life as well. It is home to the Nation's largest and oldest wiffleball tournament, the World Wiffleball Championship. Mishawaka also believes in the value of neighbors and neighborhoods, demonstrated in neighborhoods intentionally built to maintain a "hometown" feel as well as a total of 27 community parks. One park contains a Japanese style garden created in honor of Mishawaka's sister city, Shiojiri, Japan.

I am proud to rise today to congratulate Mishawaka, Indiana and its 47,000 residents on 175 years of rich history and wish them a bright future.