

his own stint as a Saluki gymnast at Southern Illinois University, Kevin's personal understanding of the sport is unique.

Representing the U.S. in over 40 international competitions, he is America's most successful Olympic and World Championship coach. His twenty-four year coaching career has resulted in his being awarded numerous awards from his noteworthy positions. He has achieved his great success through much hard work, determination and perseverance. He has established himself as an outstanding coach and community leader. Athlete, leader, father-figure, competitor, a credit to his community, to Texas, and to our nation; Kevin Mazeika has earned his place among the elite of his profession.

At this year's 2008 Olympic Games held in Beijing, China, Coach Mazeika led the USA team to a bronze medal in gymnastics. His stalwart victory follows his previous coaching success at the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens where the team received a silver medal. His friends, family and team mates should all be proud of his accomplishments, as we look forward to his coaching future.

Currently, he owns and operates Mazeika's Elite Gymnastics where aspiring gymnasts continue to benefit from his guidance. For his exemplary contributions to the sport of gymnastics and the athletes he coaches, I commend Kevin Mazeika. I applaud his remarkable career as he continues to represent our nation on the international stage.

And that's just the way it is.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. ROSCOE G. BARTLETT

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2638, FY 09 Defense Appropriations as part of the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009. The list is as follows:

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Army Combat Vehicle and Automotive Advanced Technology.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Volvo Powertrain of North America.

Address of Requesting Entity: 13302 Pennsylvania Ave, Hagerstown, MD 21742.

Description of Request: Funded \$2.4 million to build, test, and evaluate up to five heavy tactical trucks with hybrid electric powertrain. The integrated hybrid drive system will be specifically tailored to the M915 line-haul tractor or other heavy trucks selected by the Army. The program's goal is to provide the military with more fuel efficient, cleaner and easily maintained heavy truck powertrain.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RDT&E Air Force.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Proxy Aviation Systems.

Address of Requesting Entity: 12850 Midlebrook Road, Germantown, MD 20874.

Description of Request: Multiple UAS cooperative concentrated observation and engage-

ment against a common ground objective. This program was funded \$4.4 million to provide requirement for operational need from CENTAF for a UAS cooperative engagement capability and a standing objective requirement for Predator to operate up to eight air vehicles simultaneously from a single ground station. This will increase effectiveness of current fleet of UAVs by enabling multiple UAVs to cooperate in the same airspace and dynamic mission execution.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Navy Shipboard System Component Development.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Northrop Grumman Corporation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1840 Century Park East, Los Angeles, CA 90067-2199.

Description of Request: Power Dense Integrated Power System for CG(X) was funded \$3.0 million to continue the development of a power dense integrated power system (IPS) suitable for surface combatant main power generation, distribution and conversion. These developments will facilitate removing 20% of existing system weight and cost, enabling a increase in combatant payload capacity. Contractor activity will be performed at Northrop Grumman Electronic Systems, Marine Systems at 7301 Sykesville Rd, Sykesville, MD 21784.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Procurement, Defense-Wide.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Smiths Detection.

Address of Requesting Entity: 2208 Lakeside Blvd., Edgewood, MD 21400.

Description of Request: Joint Chemical Agent Detector Program was funded \$4.0 million to provide advanced detection and warning, identification of contamination on personnel and equipment, and monitoring for presence of chemical warfare agent and toxic industrial chemical contamination. This project will ensure that Maryland National Guard and other guard units receive the latest chemical warfare agent and toxic industrial detector in their hands.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Navy Advanced Submarine System Development.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Chesapeake Sciences Corporation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1127B Benfield Blvd., Millersville, MD 21108.

Description of Request: Submarine Fatline Vector Sensor Towed Array was funded \$800 thousand to provide the fabrication, assembly and test of a prototype 96-element vector sensor fatline submarine towed array. It would also include testing and data analysis to show that Vector Sensor towed arrays provide a cost effective means to achieve significant improvement in detection, fire control, and self-defense capabilities for our submarine fleet.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Defense-Wide, RTD&E Microelectronic Technology Development and Support.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Northrop Grumman Corporation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1580A W. Nursery Rd., Linthicum, MD 21090.

Description of Request: Scalable Topside Array Radar (STAR) Demonstrator funded for \$800 thousand to develop and build a STAR to validate performance and reduce cost/risk of next generation surface ship radar systems. This program directly supports the Navy's plan

for an aggressive radar competition to help reduce the cost of next generation platforms such as the CG(X) cruiser.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Army Combat Vehicle and Automotive Advanced Technology.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Patrick Power Products, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 6679-C Santa Barbara Rd, Elkridge, MD 21075.

Description of Request: Rotary, Multi-Fuel, Auxiliary Power Unit Development Program was funded for \$2.4 million to continue advancement of the company's auxiliary power unit technology to address the needs that the Army put forward. The RMF-APU development work has progressed to a point where the Army has accepted delivery of an RMF-APU from the company for fir check and demonstration in the M1 Abrams Main Battle Tank. The auxiliary power unit under consideration as a retrofit for the [Abrams] tank would reduce the Abrams' battlefield fuel demand by as much as 50%. This would cut the Abrams daily fuel use in Iraq from \$30 million to \$15 million.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Army Weapons and Munitions Advanced Technologies.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: ATK.

Address of Requesting Entity: 5050 Lincoln Drive, Edina, MN 55436.

Description of Request: Advanced Fuzing Technologies was funded \$3.6 million based on lessons learned in both Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. These lessons highlighted the need for multi-purpose 105 mm and 120 mm tank ammunition to effectively engage a wide variety of targets other than enemy tanks. Multimode fuzing technologies are needed, including point-detonation with variable delay and enhanced airburst functionality at extended range. In order to address advanced 105mm and 120mm tank munitions requirements, funds are needed now to mature designs and support the evolution of these munitions.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Navy Surface Combatant Combat System Engineering.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: DRS Power Technology.

Address of Requesting Entity: 166 Boulder Drive, Suite 201E, Fitchburg, MA 01420.

Description of Request: DDG51 Class Permanent Magnet Hybrid Electric Propulsion System was funded \$7.6 million to develop hybrid propulsion drive for navy combatants. With the installation of hybrid electric drive, the hybrid motors will be operated for ship propulsion at speeds less than 13 kts and as a generator for propulsion-derived ship service electrical power at speeds of 13kts and above. The Navy RDT&E funds will design and build a hybrid electric drive prototype system for insertion and testing at the Navy Land Based test site. Development and demonstration of a prototype DDG51 hybrid electric drive system will enable fuel savings, return of investment, and warfighter advantages.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RDT&E Navy force Protection Advanced Technology.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: DRS Power and Control Technologies, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 4265 North 30th St., Milwaukee, WI 53216.

Description of Request: Solid state DC Protection System was funded \$1.2 million to provide a solid state DC circuit breaker protection

prototype. All-electric propulsion Navy Combatant presents a strategic advantage in today's world of increasing fuel prices and reliance upon foreign oil. The SSDCP will result in 10,000 times lower fault energy which protects personnel and equipment, while reducing chance of fire. Additionally, it provides greater survivability and mission effectiveness and lower acquisition cost and lower lifetime maintenance costs.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RTD&E Army Military Engineering Advanced Technologies.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Convanta Energy.

Address of Requesting Entity: 40 Lane Road, Fairfield, NJ 07004.

Description of Request: Conversion of Municipal Solid Waste to Renewable Diesel was funded for \$1.6 million to provide an assessment of commercially-available technologies and examine existing best practices for using municipal solid waste, and potentially other feedstocks, to create renewable diesel. This funding will also research and test catalytic and non-catalytic systems to convert organic materials into renewable diesel that meets stringent EPA requirements for low sulfur content, resulting in a cleaner burning fuel and added environmental benefits.

#### RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL FALLS PREVENTION AWARENESS DAY

#### HON. TIM MAHONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. MAHONEY of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of a resolution introduced by my colleagues Reps. FRANK PALLONE and RALPH HALL that will create National Falls Prevention Awareness Day. This day will raise awareness and encourage all of us to do more to prevent elder falls.

More than one-third of adults 65 and older fall every year. And almost 2 million of them end up in the emergency room as a result. Falling is also the leading cause of both fatal and nonfatal injuries for those 65 and over.

In fact, according to the National Falls Free Coalition, 436 people fall per year and die as a result—in Florida ALONE. With the baby boomers aging, the U.S. Census Department estimates there will be almost 55 million Americans aged 65 and older by 2020. What's more, the CDC projects that direct treatment costs from older adult falls will escalate to \$43.8 billion annually by 2020. This is unacceptable. Older adults living in America deserve more attention.

It is our responsibility to promote awareness of this important public health problem in an effort to reduce the incidence of falls among older Americans.

I hope that you will join me in recognizing the importance of establishing a National Falls Prevention Awareness Day to raise awareness and encourage prevention of falls among older adults. More funding, research and community pilot programs will hopefully follow, and that is our ultimate goal.

#### HONORING SEAN DOUGLAS LAWRENCE

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Sean Douglas Lawrence of Kansas City, Missouri. Sean is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1260, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Sean has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Sean has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Sean Douglas Lawrence for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

#### A TRIBUTE IN RECOGNITION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California, an organization based in Downtown Los Angeles in my 34th Congressional District, on the occasion of its 25th Anniversary.

The Asian Pacific American Legal Center of Southern California (APALC) is Southern California's leading organization dedicated to providing the growing Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community with multilingual, culturally-sensitive, legal services and education.

APALC was founded in 1983 by civil rights attorney Stewart Kwoh. In founding APALC, Mr. Kwoh envisioned an organization that would be an effective regional progressive voice and organizational leader focused on solving the problems of racial discrimination and exploitation of low-income workers in certain employment sectors such as the garment industry. In addition to increasing access to legal services and education for the poor, his mission also included improving inter-group relations within the diverse AAPI community as well as among other ethnic groups to address common problems and concerns.

With this vision and under his leadership, APALC has become a key advocate for poor and limited-English proficient (LEP) AAPIs, immigrants, and other community members in Southern California and throughout the state. Over the past 25 years, APALC has assisted more than 200,000 individuals and organizations through its direct services, impact litigation, policy and advocacy, and leadership development.

In the area of direct services, APALC offers the multilingual intake of information through its Asian language hotline. The center offers legal counseling, education and representation in the areas of family law and domestic violence, employment, consumer law, immigration, government benefits and housing. As a member of the Appropriations Committee, it has been my pleasure to assist APALC in obtaining federal funds for technology upgrades in its domestic violence services unit.

In the area of policy and advocacy, APALC has been involved in a wide range of civil rights issues, including hate crimes monitoring, police/community relations, voting rights and immigrant rights. Through statewide collaborations, APALC has helped secure key victories such as welfare programs for elderly immigrants as well as translated contracts and bilingual ballots for LEP Asians. APALC also conducts demographic research, including data collection and analysis, to make data more accessible to the growing AAPI community and the organizations that serve it.

In its "impact litigation" area, APALC has achieved key legal victories. A notable landmark APALC victory resulted in a federal decision establishing retail and manufacturer liability for the wages and working conditions of garment workers hired by contractors and subcontractors in the case of dozens of Thai garment workers who were enslaved in a garment sweatshop in El Monte. APALC has also led or participated in other important civil rights cases, involving English-only workplace policies and city ordinances, education inequality at state universities, redress payments for World War II Japanese American internees, racially discriminatory employment and promotion practices, and unfair business practices.

Finally, APALC's leadership development efforts include more pro-active programming designed to develop and strengthen community advocates who can identify and find resolutions to community concerns. This programming includes the Leadership Development in Inter-ethnic Relations (LDIR) program, which equips community and student leaders with skills to collaborate across racial and other boundaries. APALC also conducts leadership development programs focused on AAPI youth through its Preparing Asian Pacific American Youth Advocates (PAPAYA), an afterschool program at high schools in the San Gabriel Valley. The youth program also works to develop parent leaders to become advocates in their children's education.

Madam Speaker, on the occasion of APALC's 25th Anniversary, I join today with fellow leaders throughout my state in recognizing Stewart Kwoh and APALC for their commendable accomplishments advocating on behalf of the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community, and I wish them many years of continued success ahead.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

Requesting Member: Rep. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH