

Army. All existing adequate facilities are being fully utilized to support current operations as well as Army Modularity and Global Defense Posture Realignment (GDPR) initiatives. If this project is not provided, there will not be sufficient adequate dining facilities to support the training requirement as a result of the Grow the Force initiative. All physical security measures and antiterrorism protection measures are included. The Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Housing) certifies that this project has been considered for joint use potential. Full budget documentation is a part of the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Department of Defense budget request.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. RANDY FORBES.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Defense-Wide.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center.

Address of Requesting Entity: Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center, 1030 University Blvd., Suffolk, VA 23435, USA.

Description of Request: Provide \$640,000 for research and development effort that will bring together the Modeling and Simulation community to define, implement, and utilize a set of standards that will guide the development of M&S capability for the foreseeable future. Standards will provide a more cost effective way to ensure simulation compatibility and reuse among the Services and the many types of simulations being developed to address their problems. This action provides funding for the Virginia Modeling, Analysis and Simulation Center at Old Dominion University to develop a set of modeling and simulation standards that will guide all aspects of DoD modeling and simulation design and development.

OFFICER RICKY ANTOINE

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. POE. Madam Speaker, today I recognize Port Arthur police officer, Rickey Antoine for his commitment to law enforcement and traffic safety.

On August 21, 2008, Officer Antoine was awarded 2008 Traffic Officer of the Year by Texas Department of Transportation's Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program (STEP) that offers grants for police officers to target a specific area of enforcement during overtime. The Texas Department of Transportation acknowledged Officer Antoine for his "outstanding achievements and extraordinary efforts to save lives on Texas streets and highways." Being the first time a police department east of Houston has been recognized for its efforts, this is a great accomplishment for Officer Antoine and the Port Arthur Police Department.

Despite issuing traffic tickets not being pleasant for him and hearing many complaints, Officer Antoine has dedicated his service to enforcing the law. He has issued hundreds of traffic tickets in the two years he has served on the Department's traffic unit. He has even ticketed motorists driving 5 miles over the speed limit, which appears to be absurd to violators, but Officer Antoine sticks by the law to ensure traffic safety.

While Officer Antoine would rather not write traffic tickets, he follows the principle that drivers must take responsibility for their actions. Driving over the speed limit increases the risk of death in an automobile accident. Officer Antoine has devoted his career to limiting that risk for drivers by enforcing the speed limit to as many people possible.

Before Officer Antoine came onto the area stretching across Ninth Avenue, speed limits were almost always violated.

On behalf of the Second Congressional District of Texas, I congratulate Officer Rickey Antoine for his accomplishments and applaud his dedication to traffic safety and making Southeast Texas a better place to drive.

And that's just the way it is.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RALPH REGULA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. REGULA. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican rules on earmarks, I wish to place these eight declarations in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD for earmarks secured in H.R. 2638—the Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009.

Requesting Member: Rep. RALPH REGULA (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Defense-Wide.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Seaman Corporation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1000 Venture Blvd, Wooster, OH 44691.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$1.6 million to develop and test improved collapsible urethane fuel storage tanks. Specifically, the money will be spent on 16 tanks of varying sizes, rental and site preparation of two test locations, site operations, disposal and clean-up costs, and the rental cost of JP-8 fuel with which to carry out the testing.

A wide range of critical military, national security, and natural disaster response activities depend on collapsible storage tanks for fuel and water distribution. In recent years, the Government has purchased fuel tanks that have not consistently performed well. The development and testing of better manufacturing processes will ensure extended life and performance dependability to meet the increasing fundamental infrastructure needs of all branches of our military service and national security agencies.

Requesting Member: Rep. RALPH REGULA (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Will-Burt Company.

Address of Requesting Entity: 169 Main St., Orrville, OH 44667.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark for \$2,400,000 to develop a rugged, telescoping, fast-erecting/retracting, and locking mast for use in elevating heavy payloads on ground vehicles. Often, mission requirements dictate a powered payload to be extended

from a vehicle in either the horizontal or vertical direction. LOS radio communications, for example, are significantly enhanced by elevating optical sensors and antennae above ground level. The development of this mast technology will significantly enhance mission flexibility, enable on-the-move engagement of urban and field targets above ground level, and enhance manned and unmanned ground vehicle survivability by allowing "ahead" vision/sensing of IEDs and enemy combatants.

Requesting Member: Rep. RALPH REGULA (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: American Engineering & Manufacturing.

Address of Requesting Entity: 4622 French Creek Road, Sheffield, OH 44054.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$2,400,000 for the Advanced Materials & Processes for Armament Structures, AMPAS. This is a public/private partnership that will leverage up to \$50,000,000 private and \$20,000,000 public investment with the goal of increasing the availability of low cost titanium for government and commercial manufacturing.

This program was initiated to provide significantly lighter components for military equipment resulting in ease of use and transport of equipment. This program implements research using native Ohio titanium production facilities for low-cost titanium products used in U.S. Army applications. The ability to successfully transfer commercial developed metal-forming technologies to Federal agencies is a key contributor to United States readiness and economic competitiveness. As the U.S. Army undertakes transformation implementation with lighter-weight equipment, the use of titanium in armament and ground vehicles is becoming more and more important.

Requesting Member: Rep. RALPH REGULA (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Contained Energy, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: c/o Wright Fuel Cell Group, 1819 E. 101st St., Cleveland, OH 44106.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$800,000 to continue work on developing advanced applications of direct carbon fuel cells. The Army spends \$1 billion annually on energy, of which \$750 million is energy for facilities. Further development of fuel cell technologies could significantly reduce the cost of energy for facilities, while simultaneously reducing Army reliance on fossil fuels and increasing the use of renewable energy.

Requesting Member: Rep. Ralph Regula (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Defense-Wide.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The University of Akron.

Address of Requesting Entity: 302 Buchtel Mall, Akron, OH 44325.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$800,000 to establish the first undergraduate corrosion engineering program to offer corrosion-specific, accredited engineering degrees at the associate and baccalaureate

levels. Specifically, the money will be spent on curriculum development, student training, outreach and recruiting efforts, and establishing a corrosion testing and teaching laboratory.

The direct annual costs of corrosion for the Department of Defense are estimated to be more than \$20 billion. Preventing or slowing the forces of corrosion could result in enormous cost savings for not only the Department of Defense, but the government as a whole. Additionally, the debilitating effects of corrosion have been documented to have a significant impact on readiness and in-theater operability. A key factor in combating corrosion is the availability of an educated workforce that can integrate corrosion considerations at the earliest stages of the acquisition process. This project will develop appropriate curriculum that will result in a pipeline of qualified corrosion engineers.

Requesting Member: Rep. Ralph Regula (OH-16).

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Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The Defense Metals Technology Center.

Address of Requesting Entity: c/o Stark State College 6200 Frank Ave, NW North Canton, OH 44720.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark for \$3,000,000 to fund an industry-based consortium to serve the needs of the Department of Defense by facilitating research and development of innovative technology and products for the defense materials and manufacturing industry. Specifically, the money will be used for staffing, strategic metals research and development, technology insertion, industrial base risk analysis, local academic research grants, and cooperative educational work programs.

The Center will serve the current industry needs, capture the individual successes of each service, manage the needs of each service, and look broadly to the expansion of the strategic metals industrial base to serve both the military and commercial markets.

Requesting Member: Rep. Ralph Regula (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Honeywell International.

Address of Requesting Entity: 101 Constitution Ave, NW Suite 500 West Washington, DC 20001.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$800,000 to fund complete research, development, testing and evaluation of a redesigned Accessory Gear Box (AGB) for the CH-47F Chinook helicopter. The redesigned AGB will give the operator and maintainer of the CH-47F Chinook fleet a 200 percent improvement in AGB reliability, which is critical to mission readiness. The redesigned AGB will increase reliability, durability, and safety. In addition to the Army's CH-47F, the redesigned AGB will also be compatible with Special Operations MH-47s, the Air Force Combat Search and Rescue (CSAR-X) aircraft, and our allies' CH-47 helicopter fleets.

Requesting Member: Rep. Ralph Regula (OH-16).

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Research, Development, Test and Evaluation—Army.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Bosch RexRoth Corporation.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1700 Old Mansfield Road Wooster, OH 44691.

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$800,000 to address the needs of the U.S. military's tactical wheeled fleets to significantly reduce fuel consumption and improve vehicle performance and mobility. Specifically, the money will be spent 60 percent on salaries and labor, 20 percent on materials, and 20 percent on hybrid system and vehicle testing.

This research and development will produce advanced Hydraulic Hybrid Vehicle technology that will improve fuel economy by up to 60 percent for the tactical wheeled fleet, reduce the required logistics support footprint, and reduce maintenance and replacement costs due to a reduction in brake wear. The benefits to the U.S. military are many, including supporting the American warfighter, conserving energy, improving cost-effectiveness, and reducing the Department of Defense's dependence on fossil fuels and foreign oil.

DR. ED YOUNG

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. POE. Madam Speaker, Jesus told the well-known parable of a shepherd who owned 100 sheep, Luke 15:3-7. When the shepherd discovered that one of his sheep was missing, he left the 99 secure and went back to find the lost one. The point is that every sheep is important. "The Lord is . . . not willing that any should perish", 2 Peter 3:9. Today, I am proud to honor long time shepherd, Dr. Ed Young, and his ministry as he celebrates 30 years with Second Baptist Church in Houston, Texas.

Dr. Young became the pastor of Second Baptist Church in 1978 and continues to minister today. Under Dr. Young's leadership in 1979, Second Baptist started its weekly broadcast of the church's worship services on local television station, Channel 39. The purpose of the weekly broadcast was to create interest in local residents and minister inside and outside of the church network.

Dr. Young was elected President of The Southern Baptist Convention in both 1992 and 1993. He has also authored a number of books, including *The Winning Walk: Outfitting for the Christian Adventure*, *The 10 Commandments of Parenting*, and *Total Heart Health*.

Dr. Young is host of the broadcast radio show, *The Winning Walk*, named after his first book. The *Winning Walk* television broadcast has also emerged. Both programs and the Internet outreach have produced national and international exposure.

Since his start, Second Baptist has grown from 2,000 members to more than 48,000 members in five different campuses. Dr. Young and Second Baptist's ministry has not only spread throughout Houston, but has reached people worldwide.

Dr. Ed Young was born on August 11, 1936 in Laurel Mississippi. He was inspired by his pastor's wife, Mrs. Gates, who led him to faith at the age of 12.

Dr. Young attended University of Alabama for half a semester before leaving. After being

challenged about his faith by a dorm-mate at the University, Dr. Young decided to seek out God's purpose in his life. He transferred to Christian University, Mississippi College, where he continued his education and prepared himself for his future ministry. He later attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina and remained in the area, where he got his first pastoral experience. After ministering in North and South Carolina for a while, he and his wife, Jo Beth, moved to Houston, Texas.

On behalf of the Second Congressional District of Texas, I want to congratulate my long time friend Dr. Ed Young for his 30 years at Second Baptist Church and honor his ministries that have touched numbers of people worldwide.

And that's just the way it is.

IN HONOR OF FRED SHELDON,
PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL
RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION

HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Fred Sheldon as he becomes the new President of the National Rural Water Association. Fred is to be commended for his dedication to keeping our water and environment clean and healthy.

Fred has served on the Executive Board of National Rural Water for 8 years. His commitment to serve America's communities has included several terms as Board President and Vice President of the association. He was also instrumental in the establishment of Evergreen Rural Water of Washington in 1994.

As a professional in the field, Fred is dedicated to helping ensure a safe drinking water supply for all of us to use and enjoy. I am sure that National Rural Water will be in excellent hands for the duration of Mr. Sheldon's 2-year tenure.

Madame Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in commending Fred for his excellent work stewarding our natural resources and in congratulating him as he starts his new position as President of the National Rural Water Association.

ON THE IMPORTANCE OF EXTENDING
FOSTER CARE SERVICES
THROUGH AGE 21

HON. GEORGE MILLER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Madam Speaker, the House and the Senate recently approved an important bill to make significant reforms to our child welfare system, including provisions to address the serious and urgent need to provide vital support to foster youth during their transition to independent adulthood. One provision of the bill in particular allows states to voluntarily extend foster care to age 21 from its current limit of 18 years of age. The President is expected to sign H.R.