

community. He serves or has served in various capacities on the boards for numerous organizations, including: the Boys and Girls Club of Northwest Indiana, where he is a past chairman of the board, the Southlake YMCA, for which he is a past president, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Trade Winds, the Crown Point Community Foundation, the Diocese of Gary, and the Crisis Center in Gary, Indiana, where he currently serves as its chairman of the board.

While John has always been committed to his work and has remained active in the Northwest Indiana community, his greatest enjoyment is the time spent with his beautiful family. He and his wife, Louise, have one daughter, Lisa, a graduate of Butler University, and one son, Brian, who currently attends the University of Dayton.

Madam Speaker, at this time, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in commending Mr. John Diederich as he is honored for his lifetime of service and dedication to the Northwest Indiana community. His years of service have touched and improved the lives of all whom he has served. His unselfish and lifelong dedication is worthy of the highest commendation, and I am proud to represent him in Congress.

IN RECOGNITION OF HILLSBOROUGH MAYOR CATHERINE "KITTY" MULLOOLY

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, this fall, one of California's most dedicated public servants will retire as Mayor of the Town of Hillsborough in the 12th Congressional District. The Honorable Catherine Mullooly, "Kitty" to all who know her, has been a beacon of light and volunteer extraordinaire since relocating from her native Wisconsin to our beloved Bay Area some forty-three years ago.

One year after graduating from the University of Wisconsin—Whitewater in 1964, Kitty came west with her new husband Doctor Thomas Mullooly, DDS, where she taught at San Francisco's St. Stephen's Elementary School prior to giving birth to her first child, Michelle. Two years later, their family was joined by son, Michael, and shortly thereafter the Mulloolys moved to Hillsborough where they have been ever since.

Kitty and Tom have brought smiles to peninsula residents for more than thirty years, through both dental healthcare and civic involvement. In fact, it is difficult to say "Mullooly" without smiling.

Kitty Mullooly's charitable work was recognized by her adopted hometown with Hillsborough's Community Care Award in 1985. She was further honored as 1989's Hillsborough Citizen of the Year. Three years later, Kitty was elected to the City Council, where she quickly impressed her peers with her hard-work and was re-elected for three subsequent terms.

During Ms. Mullooly's tenure in city government, she has been tapped to serve two terms as Mayor, including her current stint which began in 2006 and ends at the end of this year, when she will step down from her official

role in city leadership. But Madam Speaker, I know Mayor Mullooly, and I can assure you that she will not stray far from Town Hall. In fact, she lives just two doors away and I have a strong suspicion she will continue listening to her scanner so she can race with the firefighters she has helped her whole career to any call that goes out.

Kitty's commitment to our community has encompassed all aspects of daily life. She volunteered her skills for the Early Childhood Education/School Improvement Program, served on the Hillsborough Elementary School district Board of Trustees and the town's Recreation Commission and was the Chairwoman of our community's premiere charity event, the Hillsborough Concours d'Elegance. Regionally, Mayor Mullooly represents our community on the San Francisco Airport Community Roundtable, the San Mateo Area Emergency Services Council, and is a Board Member of Leadership San Mateo.

Now that Michelle and Michael are grown and married, Kitty and Tom have turned their attention to their grandchildren, Ashley and Christopher. Like your own, Madam Speaker, Kitty's grandchildren are fortunate to have a grandmother that will serve as an inspiration and role model for the rest of their lives.

Kitty is many things to me—my Mayor, my constituent and my friend. Any day spent with her is a good day. I have expressed my appreciation and admiration in private many times. A highlight of my short time in Congress is being able to do so in this most public of forums.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROBERT E. LATTA

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. LATTA. 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, The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009. The following are the Department of Defense and Military Construction projects I have requested that have received funding approval:

Project Name: N-STEP Enabled Manufacturing Cell for Future Combat Systems.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RDTE, A.

Requesting Entity: Joint Systems Manufacturing Center/General Dynamics; 1161 Buckeye Road, Lima, Ohio 45804.

Project Description and Amount: Joint Systems Manufacturing Center-Lima (JSMC) has developed, designed, installed and implemented an N-STEP Enabled Reconfigurable Manufacturing Cell and has completed performance demonstration phases using automatic processes. To make the core equipment production ready for FCS, specific weld process development using the Friction Appurtenance Welder, FAW, must be completed. This funding request will provide for the necessary technical resources required to develop the weld machine parameters/specifications for support of vehicle production activities. \$2,400,000.

Project Name: Electronic Motion Actuation Systems.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: RDTE, N.

Requesting Entity: Moog; FloTork Facility, 1701 North Main Street, P.O. Box 68, Orrville, Ohio 44667.

Project Description and Amount: The purpose of the project is to develop shipboard-qualified prototype electric actuators and demonstrate their satisfactory performance in shipboard applications. Successful completion of the technology will reduce shipboard personnel and reduce repair and maintenance costs. The Department of the Navy has repeatedly stated its desire for an all-electric ship. The target ship for this concept is the DDX which is due to hit the water in 2010. Environmental hazards associated with hydraulic systems will also be eliminated by moving to an electric actuator. \$800,000.

Project Name: Barracks, Camp Perry Training Site, Port Clinton, Ohio.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: Department of Defense, Army National Guard.

Military Facility Address: Ohio National Guard, Camp Perry Training Site, 1000 Lawrence Road, Port Clinton, Ohio 43452.

Project Description and Amount: Provide \$2 million in P-341, unspecified minor military construction, funds pursuant to Title 10 U.S. Code 2805, to construct a new 80-bed barracks at the Ohio National Guard's Camp Perry Training Site, Port Clinton, OH. The request will increase the readiness of our servicemen and women in the Ohio National Guard and help them better prepare for the challenges they face both at home and abroad. \$2,000,000.

IN HONOR OF DR. SCOTT KENNEDY

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, I am proud today to rise to pay tribute to Dr. Scott Kennedy, a former mayor of Santa Cruz, CA. Dr. Kennedy has been named the 2008 recipient of the El-Hibri Charitable Peace Education Prize—which rightly recognizes his tireless, selfless and fearless promotion of peace and social justice in the Middle East and around the world.

It is with great pleasure that I call attention to Dr. Scott Kennedy's work to bring peace to the world over the course of his lifetime. He has been a Peace Educator for 40 years and was instrumental in pioneering educational delegations to conflict zones, now a widely practiced form of peace education. Scott has personally led more than three dozen delegations to the Middle East since 1979. He also helped establish Witness for Peace, which brought thousands of U.S. citizens to Nicaragua on short educational delegations.

Scott Kennedy co-founded the Resource Center for Nonviolence in Santa Cruz, CA, which is one of the most active community-based peace education centers in the Nation. The Center has been host to world-renowned international speakers, workshops, and programs focusing on the need for peaceful and just resolution of conflicts both locally and

globally, and I have been privileged to be a participant in these activities.

Scott has actively served on the board of many organizations that teach and exemplify peace and empowerment, including the Fellowship of Reconciliation, Middle East Witness, Refuser Solidarity Network, Middle East Advisory Committee of the American Friends Service Committee, Isla Vista Youth Project, Thomas Merton Unity (Nonviolence) Center, the Isla Vista People's Life Fund, California Youth Advocate Program, National Youth Advocate Program, and the Interfaith Peace-Builders.

Madam Speaker, true men of peace grace generations and, in my lifetime, I have witnessed Mohandas Gandhi, Martin Luther King, and Nelson Mandela. I am proud to commend Scott Kennedy as a true man of peace, and I am proud to call him my friend.

REMARKS IN RECOGNITION OF T.
JACK FOSTER

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, this evening I salute one of the young pioneers of the 12th Congressional District. T. Jack Foster, Jr. in his 80th year, is being honored by the Rotary Club of Foster City on Saturday, September 27, 2008.

In 1960, after a successful career in Honolulu, Hawaii, where he constructed over 1500 single family homes, T. Jack Foster moved to San Mateo County to join his father, T. Jack Senior and brothers, J.R. and Richard, in planning and building a vital, safe and environmentally sound community that would become known as Foster City, California.

Foster City is now a successful bedroom, office and retail community of 30,000 full-time residents and an equal number of employees who commute to the many companies doing business there. A city like no other, it is built around a series of lagoons and canals that not only provide beautiful views, but enhance the city with a vast array of recreational opportunities.

Born July 21, 1928 in Norman, Oklahoma, Jack received a degree in Business Administration from the University of Oklahoma, where he was Editor of the Sooner Yearbook and inducted into Phi Eta Sigma and Beta Gamma Sigma honorary societies. After college, he served two years of active duty in the United States Air Force before launching his real estate career.

Jack and his lovely and vivacious wife, the former Patricia Chesnut, live in San Mateo. They have a daughter, Lee and two sons, T. Jack III and Mark. Their six creative and energetic grandchildren take after talented grandpa, who is an accomplished singer, actor and tap dancer who has entertained thousands by performing in many local theater productions.

Madam Speaker, Jack is a longtime friend and, on occasion, a gentle critic. He cares passionately about San Mateo County, its people, policies and environment. Jack has given back as much as he has received in his long and fruitful life. He has worked tirelessly to advance healthcare opportunities as Presi-

dent of the Comprehensive Health Planning Council of San Mateo County and first Chairman of the Health Network Consortium of San Mateo County. He has also served as Chairman of the San Mateo County Economic Development Association and is a past President of the Peninsula Community Foundation.

Jack and Pat were notably and appropriately honored as 2000 Volunteers of the Year by the Volunteer Center.

Madam Speaker, my district and our San Francisco Bay Area would be a different place without the vision and hard work of the Foster family. It gives me great joy to inform the rest of our nation of the lifetime of service of T. Jack Foster and his exceptional family. I wish him a very happy birthday and hopes for many, many more and bestow my congratulations on him for this latest honor.

IN COMMEMORATION OF THE
NATIONAL DAY OF TAIWAN

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. WU. Madam Speaker, I would like to offer my warmest wishes and congratulations to the people of Taiwan in commemoration of the National Day of the Republic of China (Taiwan), which is celebrated every year on October 10.

In March of this year, the people of Taiwan participated in Taiwan's fourth direct and democratic presidential election. The smooth and peaceful transition from one administration to another is a testament to Taiwan's continued dedication to the principles of democracy, human rights, and the rule of law. I commend the people of Taiwan for building a democratic, peaceful, and prosperous island.

For more than 50 years, the United States and Taiwan have fostered a close relationship, which has been of mutual political, economic, cultural, and strategic advantage. In celebration of this year's Double Tenth National Day, it is my hope that the United States, Taiwan, and the People's Republic of China can work together to promote enduring peace, stability, and prosperity in the Asia-Pacific region, especially in the Taiwan Strait.

CONGRESSMAN RAY LAHOOD'S
DEDICATION TO PUBLIC SERVICE

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Mr. RAHALL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a dear friend and colleague, Congressman RAY LAHOOD. RAY has been a faithful servant to the people of the 18th District of Illinois since first being elected in 1994 to the 104th Congress. Before that he was a schoolteacher, a longtime community leader, member of the Illinois General Assembly and Chief of Staff for former U.S. House Minority Leader Robert Michel. Each of these opportunities furthered his dedication to serving the American people and eventually led him to serve as a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

RAY and I have worked closely together over the years on a number of issues, but one that has always been near to our hearts because of its importance to the United States, has been our work with the nation of Lebanon, the land of our ancestors. As Members of Congress who are deeply interested in Lebanon, the people of Lebanon, and the ability of Lebanon to rise above the turmoil and conflicts which have overtaken the country, we are able to view the recent election of the new Lebanese President as a strong signal to the world that progress and forward movement continues to be made in the Middle East.

RAY has always had a deep respect for the institution of Congress, a trait which can be attested to by any and all who have served with him over the years. While RAY has left many lasting legacies during his time here in the House of Representatives, for me his friendship will be one I continue to treasure the most as he, his wife Kathy and their family move on to this new chapter in their lives.

Although it seems that we as a Congress can't find ourselves in agreement on many things, one thing that is beyond dispute is that Ray has embodied the ideal of the civil servant who tirelessly has served the interests of the American people.

IN CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTH
ANNIVERSARY OF ALMA VIA

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Ms. SPEIER. Madam Speaker, among the most vulnerable in our society are those in our elder population.

That is why I have such profound respect and deep gratitude for the good work done by Alma Via of San Francisco. Alma Via is an assisted living and memory care community that services the senior community in the San Francisco Bay Area. They celebrate five excellent years of service this fall, on November 1, 2008.

Alma Via is a member of Elder Care Alliance, a nonprofit faith-based organization committed to serving and enriching the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of older adults. Their sponsors, the Sisters of Mercy, Burlingame, and the Sierra Pacific Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, bring a 130-year tradition of service to their communities and commitment to enhancing the quality of life for elders through creative programs and supportive services.

The Elder Care Alliance is composed of six communities in California and serves 700 elders. Their programs include special services for those with early to late stage dementia and without them, many of these older Americans would possibly not receive treatment. Their loving and professional communities are staffed by 620 dedicated staff members who provide daily care for residents in a manner that respects and celebrates the dignity and inherent worth of each person.

Madam Speaker, I can personally attest to the excellence and compassion of the Sisters of Mercy. Wherever they choose to serve, their mission always moves their community and the world forward. The good work provided by Alma Via and the Elder Care Alliance