The Center will focus their work in several areas: critical infrastructure protection; preparedness and response to natural, accidental, and intentional disasters; information/ intelligence assessment and analysis; health care/hospital preparedness and response; chemical, biological and radiological countermeasures; disaster and terror medicine; emergency communications; emergency response through innovative uses of rail transportation systems; and education and training for first-responders and local governments, and health and engineering professionals.

The application of our unique expertise in the combination of mathematical sciences, engineering, communications, transportation, medicine and health care, environmental and exposure science, basic societal services, and social/behavioral sciences will help prepare the military and the nation in the event of a natural disaster or terrorist attack.

Detailed Financial Plan:
Center Administration—\$200,000
R & D Projects—\$700,000
Info & Intelligence Analysis—\$200,000
Education & Training—\$144,000
Clinical & Health Care Preparedness and
Response—\$200,000
Equipment—\$156,000
TOTAL—\$1,600,000

HONORING THE ACCOMPLISH-MENTS OF GLORIA DAVIS

HON. CHARLES W. DENT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Sunday, September 28, 2008

Mr. DENT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Gloria Davis, for a lifetime of musical and theatrical accomplishments.

The child of Italian immigrants, Gloria was born to Anthony and Anna Pacchioli in Easton, Pennsylvania and has lived in Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley most of her life. She married Irwin Davis, who ran Dave's Luncheonette in Allentown for 36 years. Gloria and Irwin raised two children, Shari and Robert, who would go on to bless them with four grandchildren, Patrick, Lauren, Brandon, and Becca.

Gloria studied singing at Juilliard and spent years touring the United States. As the first female musical director and orchestral conductor in the Lehigh Valley area, Ms. Davis put on thirty musicals, including Hair, George M. Cohen, Stop the World I Want to Get Off, Fiddler on the Roof, Annie, Oliver, No No Nanette, Hello Dolly, and La Cage Aux Folles and many others.

Gloria shared her voice with the world, touring across Europe from 1946 to 1948. During the 1950's, she actively supported our men and women in uniform, participating in three professional USO tours to entertain the troops in Asia and the South Pacific. Gloria has taught voice lessons to amateur and professional singers alike for over forty years, and she continues to coach aspiring singers to this day.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would like to offer my sincere gratitude to Gloria Davis for all her work bringing music to the Lehigh Valley, the United States, and the world. She has made our community extremely proud.

HONORING THE LATE REPRESENTATIVE JO ANN DAVIS

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Sunday, September 28, 2008

Mr. WITTMAN of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pause and remember the late Representative Jo Ann Davis who passed away last October after a courageous battle with breast cancer.

Jo Ann made history in 2000 when she was the first female Republican elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from the Commonwealth of Virginia. In Congress, she was a passionate advocate for better government, lower taxes, and a strong defense. Jo Ann was a tireless advocate for our brave service members. She constantly supported legislation that strengthened our armed services and improved benefits for our men and women in uniform

Jo Ann represented the people of the First District of Virginia with distinction. Through her service she set an example of courage in the face of adversity that we would all do well to emulate.

Jo Ann believed that God called her to service, and in her years of service to this nation, Jo Ann's faith never wavered. She regularly attended the Member's weekly prayer breakfast, and she was also a co-chair of the 2007 National Prayer Breakfast.

Jo Ann truly loved her family and our thoughts and prayers continue to be with her husband of 33 years, Chuck; her two sons Charles and Christopher; granddaughter Charlotte and the many family and friends who are still touched by her absence.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the late Representative Jo Ann Davis.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF PAUL NEWMAN

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Sunday, September~28,~2008

Mr. KUCINICH. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Paul Newman, distinguished actor, entrepreneur, and philanthropist whose intelligent movie roles and dedication to promoting the common good has touched the lives of thousands of people.

Paul Newman was not only a Hollywood legend whose movie roles include "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid" and "The Hustler," but also an avid philanthropist who dedicated his life to creating opportunities for the economically disadvantaged and for other communities of need. He was nominated for ten Oscar Awards and won the best actor award in 1987 for his role in "The Color of Money." Mr. Newman was as big of a social activist as he was a movie star. In 1988, he founded Hole in the Wall Camps-a camp for children with life-threatening illnesses. Since then, camps have been held all over the world, including in the United States, Italy, Ireland, Hungary, and the United Kingdom, as well as in parts of Africa and Asia. Almost 200,000 children with life-threatening illnesses have attended Hole in the Wall Camps, making it the largest and most successful family of camps in the world.

In 1982, he founded Newman's Own natural food company, whose motto is "Shameless exploitation in pursuit of the common good", a reflection of his compassion, selflessness and dedication to advocating for vulnerable communities. Since its founding over 20 years ago, Newman's Own has raised over \$250 million dollars in proceeds, all of which is donated to educational and charitable causes around the world. Between the work of Hole in the Wall Camps and Newman's Own, Mr. Newman has advocated for peace, raised awareness for various social and economical issues, and has worked towards combating the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

Madam Speaker and colleagues, please join me in honoring the life of a true humanitarian and legend, Paul Newman, whose inspiration and genius will continue to touch the lives of generations to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TRENT FRANKS

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, September 28, 2008

Mr. FRANKS of Arizona. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 647 and rollcall No. 662 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sunday, September 28, 2008

Mrs. EMERSON. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the February 2008 New Republican Earmark Standards Guidance, I submit the following:

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON.

Account: Research, Development, Test And Evaluation, Army 98 0604710A Night Vision Systems—Sdd.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: DRS Technologies, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1 McDaniel Street, West Plains, MO 65775.

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$2,800,000 to complete development and qualification of the Common Remote Stabilized Sensor System (CRS3). This project has received \$2,100,000 in Congressionally directed funding to date and has been matched with \$1.3 million in internal recipient investment. The total development cost is estimated to be \$7.7 million. CRS3 would place sensor operators under armor, eliminating their exposure to snipers and IED's. In addition, it would allow the vehicles to conduct surveillance while on the move. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, Army account.