

2487—the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

The following earmarks were requested by my office and are listed for funding in this bill:

County of Alpine & County of Calaveras—Law Enforcement Radio and Data Communications

Requesting Member: DANIEL E. LUNGREN  
Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: COPS Tech

Requesting Agency: County of Calaveras  
Agency Address: 891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA 95249

Amount: \$1,250,000

Description: This project creates an interoperable and tactical communications backbone between the Counties of Alpine and Calaveras. Full build out will also connect Counties as far away as San Francisco across the Sierras to the State of Nevada for secondary phone, data and radio interoperability and connectivity. The project fixes local radio operability and interoperability in the two counties in which the Federal Government is the majority land owner.

This project represents an appropriate use of taxpayer funds due to the imperative for interoperability in the provision of emergency services and administration of public safety in two counties in which the Federal Government is the majority land owner.

Folsom Emergency Operations Center  
Requesting Member: DANIEL E. LUNGREN

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: OJP-Byrne

Requesting Agency: City of Folsom  
Agency Address: 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630

Amount: \$250,000

Description: This project will expand the crucial capabilities of the Folsom EOC to function for both the City of Folsom and as the Alternative County Site. Best practices highlight the importance of having redundant emergency management capacity to ensure a balanced strategy for handling emergencies.

This project represents an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because it provides a critical capability to both the City of Folsom and California's State Capitol, ensuring emergency operations and first response measures are coordinated with the greatest ability.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2009*

Mr. MCKEON. Madam Speaker, Pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding Member priority requests I received as part of H.R. 2847, The "Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010."

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 2847, "Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice Programs

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The City of Victorville

Address of Requesting Entity: 14343 Civic Drive, PO Box 5001, Victorville, CA 92393

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$82,000 to assist with the Uturn Gang Prevention Program evaluation and assessment component. Uturn Gang Prevention Program will focus on elementary school age at-risk youth, along with their immediate families. The focal point will be three areas of accountability: home, school and community. The Uturn program aims to work with at-risk families willing to make a two-year commitment to involvement in services. The goal is to develop at-risk children's full personal potential so that they will not be attracted to gang involvement.

The City of Victorville will contract evaluation and assessment services through California State University San Bernardino, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, Department of Social Work. Evaluation and assessment services will track participants' behavioral changes, school attendance, communication skills, academic trends, family involvement, and communication skill sets.

Ultimately this program will evaluate and assess the individual and collective development of the youth and families. This program will enhance the family structure and strengthen values. The progress of the program participants will be tracked every 6 months for a two year period insuring behavioral, emotional and family stability. The success of the program insuring gang life will be less attractive and irrelevant to the youth.

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 2847, "Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Department of Justice, Juvenile Justice

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: CASA of Los Angeles County

Address of Requesting Entity: CASA of Los Angeles County, Lancaster office, 1040 West Avenue J, Room 1130 Lancaster, CA 93534-3329

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$300,000 for the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Los Angeles County Lancaster program. The funding is specifically to recruit and train additional CASA volunteers to provide advocacy services to 120 additional abused and neglected foster children in the Antelope Valley area. CASA of Los Angeles County will provide any required match for this program.

CASA of Los Angeles services the needs of abused and neglected children in the foster care system through the recruitment, training, supervision and support of community volunteers who investigate the circumstances of each child, facilitate the provisions of services, monitor compliance with the orders of the court and advocate for the best interests of the child.

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 2847, "Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Department of Justice, COPS Technology Grant

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Inyo County, California

Address of Requesting Entity:

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling

\$240,000 for an Emergency Operations Center for Inyo County. This project will expand an existing Inyo County Sheriff's Department facility that will serve as a dedicated Emergency Operations Center ensuring continuity and effective emergency management in the event of a disaster such as a wildfire or earthquake.

Aspects of this project include site preparation, installation and expansion of existing utilities and data communications, construction, radio communications, and an emergency backup electrical system for emergency operations.

Requesting Member: Congressman HOWARD P. "BUCK" MCKEON

Bill Number: H.R. 2847, "Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010"

Account: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Byrne Grant Program

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The City of Adelanto, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: The City of Adelanto, 11600 Air Expressway, Adelanto, CA 92301

Description of Request: I requested and received a Member priority request totaling \$375,000 to establish an Emergency Operations Center within Adelanto, CA's existing City Hall. This center will serve as the central command and control facility in the event of a disaster and will be responsible for carrying out the protocols of an emergency situation, such as a wildfire or earthquake, and ensuring the continuity of operations.

Aspects of this project include structural renovations, network infrastructure installation, and purchases of equipment like computers, phones, a generator, 800MHz communication radios, and a mobile secondary/backup Emergency Operations Center.

#### IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE FARCHANA MANIFESTO

### HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2009*

Mr. CAPUANO. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the courageous women of Darfur, refugees in the Farchana Camp in Chad, who issued their Farchana Manifesto one year ago this month. I honor also the efforts of Physicians for Human Rights who have worked to treat and comfort survivors of the Darfur genocide and support them in their struggles for human rights and personal dignity. No advocate, however, could speak more powerfully of their plight than the women themselves. The Manifesto has been translated into English and French from the handwritten Arabic original, posted in the Farchana Camp on June 10, 2008.

We, the women of Farchana Camp, have many concerns and problems with the lack of freedom and having the opportunity to speak about freedom.

We can assign these problems to a number of items, including the following:

1. Lack of opportunity for freedom of speech, and no one to listen to what women say.

2. Lack of freedom to go to work or engage in life's activities. If a woman is working in some occupations, responsibility is left to the woman alone in all cases, such as: illness, home activities, and responsibility for

the children. While the man does what he wants with money, the responsibility is left to the woman.

3. Lack of women's equality. One man, if he has the notion, can have one wife or two or more wives.

4. Lack of freedom for women even with their own private property; for example: money, gold, household pots and pans, and livestock.

5. Women are not allowed to make contact with people outside the community. For example: visiting neighbors, family, and friends. And women are not allowed [illegible] to travel far, and if he allows her, he does not give her money, and he tells her, "This trip is of your own accord."

6. Lack of acceptance of higher education and universities to enable women to get ahead.

7. Failure to encourage girls in the schools and leaving the responsibility to the mothers.

8. Failure of fathers to take responsibility for girls. If something happens, the mother is blamed, and they make her hear harsh words from the family, and sometimes divorce even takes place.

9. Outside chores, such as: [illegible], provisions, construction, and feeding livestock—that is, all physical demands—are the responsibility of the woman.

10. Failure to show confidence in women, such as leaving the house without the man's knowledge and he tells her, "You went out to commit adultery."

11. Failure to value the life of the woman. They only value her in bed. They like a lot of births, but they do not like raising sons and children.

12. Early marriage for girls and compulsory marriage without consent.

13. In the case of meetings, women do not have the freedom to speak at organizations; only men's statements are heard.

14. Women do not know how to submit their complaints—the place and the organization that is concerned about them.

Thank you. We hope to achieve freedom for women in the whole world.

More than sixty years after the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the women of the Farchana Camp challenge us to realize its long-promulgated ideals.

#### RECOGNIZING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF FATHER FRANCIS P. FOLEY'S ORDINATION

### HON. PATRICK J. MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2009*

Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Father Francis P. Foley on the 25th anniversary of his ordination.

In the spirit of John Cardinal O'Connor, who served both as a Philadelphia priest and as a U.S. Navy Chaplain, Father Foley has served his congregation and his country honorably. Father Foley attended St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Wynnewood, Pennsylvania, just outside Philadelphia.

At the age of 23, Father Foley was so inspired by a mass at the Naval Academy in Annapolis that he decided to become a Navy Chaplain. He persevered in attaining the chaplaincy, despite the fact that it took him 5 years to convince the archdiocese to allow him to do so. He is a beacon of faith, kindness, and wis-

dom to all of those lucky enough to have come to know him in his 25 years of devoted service.

Ordained in May of 1984, Father Foley's first service was a mass of thanksgiving the very next day. On the 14th of this month, in tribute to his 25 years of unwavering dedication to his faith and his community, he will be honored during a Jubilee Mass at St. Athanasius in Philadelphia.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to recognize Father Francis P. Foley for his incredible service as a Navy Chaplain, and am extremely honored to serve as his Congressman.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2009*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I would like to state for the record my position on the following vote I missed while attending a funeral in Missouri:

On Friday, June 12, 2009, I missed rollcall Vote No. 335. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall Vote No. 335.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2009*

Mr. WOLF. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2847, the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Fiscal Year 2010 Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: The Hon. FRANK R. WOLF

Provision: State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance, Byrne Justice Assistance Grant  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force  
Address of Requesting Entity: 880 Harrison Street SE, Leesburg, VA 20175

Description of Request: In response to increasing gang activity in northern Virginia, a multi-jurisdictional law enforcement task force was established in 2003 to more effectively respond to gang activity. As a result of the task force's efforts, criminal gang activity has declined by more than 50 percent. In order to sustain and maintain these impressive results, the task force requested \$3 million in funding, which is included in H.R. 2847.

Requesting Member: The Hon. FRANK R. WOLF

Provision: State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance, Byrne Justice Assistance Grant  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Northwest Virginia Regional Gang Task Force  
Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 49, Berryville, VA 22611

Description of Request: In response to increasing gang activity in the Shenandoah Valley, this task force was established to coordinate and share information with their counterparts at the Northern Virginia Regional Gang Task Force. According to the Federal Bureau

of Investigation, the entire northern Virginia region is a hotbed of gang activity. In order to better fight gang activity in this area, the task force requested \$1 million in funding, which is included in H.R. 2847.

HONORING DR. GEORGE SEIELSTAD

### HON. EARL POMEROY

OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 15, 2009*

Mr. POMEROY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the long and distinguished career of Dr. George Seielstad who is retiring from the John D. Odegard School of Aerospace Sciences at the University of North Dakota (UND) where he was a leading figure in UND's aerospace and earth systems science curriculum. It has been my privilege to have known Dr. Seielstad since he first started at UND. Since that time I have seen first hand the workings of his remarkable mind, his commitment to advancing scientific thought, and his innovative leadership in developing real world applications for spatial technologies.

Dr. Seielstad's tenure at UND will be recognized by his many achievements as well as the many distinguished titles he has held. Upon his arrival in 1993, Dr. Seielstad served as Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs and Professor of Space Studies and was later named the Associate Dean of the Center for Aerospace Science and Director of the Earth System Science Institute. In 1997, he was named the first ever Oliver Benediktson Professor of Astrophysics. In recent years, Dr. Seielstad was appointed Senior Advisor to the President of UND and served in the position of Director for the Northern Great Plains Center for People and the Environment where he directs the Upper Midwest Aerospace Consortium (UMAC).

His cardinal accomplishment at UND came in founding and managing UMAC, which he established in 1994. UMAC is a preeminent research partnership between five universities in Montana, South Dakota, Idaho, and North Dakota working in collaboration in order to serve societal needs through the development of practical applications in Earth System Science information. UMAC has helped collect vital data on complex global environment and climate issues and has led to the development of real world products using satellite imaging, like Agriculture Cameral, which helps educate and bring about solutions for ranchers and farmers on a wide variety of agri-business issues. Multi-university consortiums are very rare because universities compete as much as they collaborate. The growth, success, and longevity of UMAC in large part is due to the vision, leadership, and commitment of Dr. Seielstad.

Even before his arrival at UND, Dr. Seielstad was a notable radio astronomer spending time at the University of Alaska, Caltech's Owens Valley Radio Observatory in Bishop, California, and the National Radio Astronomy Observatory at Green Bank, West Virginia. He graduated summa cum laude with a degree in Physics from Dartmouth College and received his PhD in Physics from the California Institute of Technology. More recently, he served as Chairman of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Deep