

County Interoperability Communication Authority in CJS, under the project title of Eastern Riverside County Interoperability Communications Authority (ERICA), will be used for equipment costs to support the ERICA system.

Requesting Member: MARY BONO MACK

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Account: Department of Justice, Byrne

Entity Requesting: City of Moreno Valley, 14177 Frederick Street, Moreno Valley, CA 88005

Description of Earmark: \$500,000 will continue and enhance the City's gang intervention strategies including enforcement, community awareness, education, and the integration of local organizations such as school districts and private entities. It is critical that the City of Moreno Valley have the resources to develop more strategic, coordinated, and collaborative efforts between local enforcement agencies, social service providers, and the general public. The objective of the City's gang prevention program is to significantly curtail gang involvement, and its negative impact, in the Moreno Valley community.

In addition to the Administrative, Patrol, and Detective services they provide to the community, the Moreno Valley Police Department has implemented a number of crime prevention services and programs to specifically intervene in and prevent crime and gang involvement. The 2008/09 Fiscal Year police budget for crime prevention and special enforcement programs, including gang-related crimes, is nearly \$7 million. The requested funds will be utilized throughout the 2010/11 Fiscal Year to enhance existing gang prevention efforts.

The federal nexus is to assist crime fighting efforts. Gangs are often involved in the violation of federal crimes and this funding seeks to contribute to that crime fighting effort.

Spending Plan: Project Expenditures—One unsupported Gang Task Force Officer (one year)—\$120,245

One fully supported Special Enforcement Team Gang Officer (One Year)—\$220,275
1,916 hours of G.I.F.T. program overtime—\$104,766

1,000 hours of SET Gang officer overtime—\$54,680

This overtime would be used to prepare gang enhancements, participate in community meetings to address gang issues, investigate gang-related crime, and conduct other gang-specific enforcement.

Total: \$499,966.

A TRIBUTE TO STEPHEN T. JOHNS

HON. CAROLYN C. KILPATRICK

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 18, 2009

Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I submit the following poem for submission into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. It was written by Mr. Albert Carey Caswell, in memory of a fallen servicemember, a great father and a fine human being, Mr. Stephen T. Johns. It is also for his son who will carry his memory for the rest of his life, Stephen T. Johns, II. It is entitled, "Hate is Hard."

HATE IS HARD

Hate is Hard...

Oh how it makes me cry...

When, I see all of those tears in your young child's eyes...

Hate is Hard...

As it takes all we have!

To fight that battle, to so win that war... so all in time to all hearts grab...

Hate is Hard!

As why was built, this temple... this shrine...

To all hearts, to so remind...

To remind us all, hate is hard... and what hope can find...

To somehow, somewhere... so very deep down inside...

To win this battle, to bring that light...

Hate is Hard...

Just look at those tears now in your child's eyes...

This precious son, just like all those other ones...

Who's beloved parents, who too have so died...

All in this battle! All in this fight!

'Oh, how it makes me cry!

Hate is Hard...

As it takes all of your might! To win that battle, that fight!

As why!

In this place of remembrance, our Lord so placed Big John...

With your warm heart so right...

To so bring your light...

For on that day you died...

Was but shown, your last final act of love so inside...

To this dark evil, not knowing it would so take your fine life...

And leave all of your love ones, in such heartache so far behind...

And leave his young son, so all alone...

'Oh hate is hard... oh how it makes me moan!

'Oh now the tears I find...

As why throughout all these years...

So many children, women, and men... have so died here!

But, there is Hope! And there is Light!

All in your image John, that you so left behind...

And all in your son now so in time...

As he will to grown up to be, just like you... his wonderful Dad we'll find...

As on each new day he will so us remind...

Reminds us all, that hate is hard... but no match for the light

The kind that burned deep inside your father's most heroic heart so bright!

Goodness... Evil... Darkness... Light...

As this battle rages on this night!

Hate is Hard!

But, only we can! So win this war! So win this fight!

With such hearts of love, as big John's this night...

Remember, on this Father's Day...

As you bow down your head and pray...

A little boy has lost his hero, his joy... all because of evil's hate...

As why, in this fine shrine of courage and faith...

Our Lord God Big John so placed...

Grow up now my fine son, just like your fine Dad...

For your father's heard, inside of you... that you so have!

For you were the greatest thing, he ever knew... ever had!

And on this day, the Angel's up and heaven... they too cry...

As they see those tears run down your eyes...

As comes their gentle rain, to give you strength... to wash away all of your pain...

For on this day, up to heaven a new Angel does rise...

And Angel's are much stronger, to fight through all those lies...

So my little boy, daddy's little man... now wipe away all of those tears from your eyes...

For your Father is up in heaven, watching over you day and night...

But Hate is Hard... and our journey long!

And so, as this new day dawns...

We must be strong!

With hearts of faith, courage and love songs...

Can we so right all of these wrongs!

For Hate, is Hard!

But, love and light... far more brighter burn.

IN SUPPORT OF HOMES FOR HEROES ACT OF 2009

HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 18, 2009

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, one of the most important duties we have as a nation is the commitment to taking care of the men and women who have served their country in the Armed Forces. I am proud to cosponsor H.R. 403, The Homes for Heroes Act of 2009 to help aid homeless veterans.

This legislation will unlock important tools to combat the ongoing challenges of homelessness within the ranks of our poorest veterans. The VA estimates that 154,000 veterans are homeless on any given night, accounting for about a quarter of the total number of homeless individuals.

My district, Fresno in particular, has a large homeless population. Many are veterans who would benefit from the implementation of the programs in this legislation. This bill will unlock important tools to combat the ongoing challenges of homelessness within the ranks of our poorest veterans. At-risk veterans live with lingering effects of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and substance abuse, compounded by a lack of family and social support networks.

No matter how many urgent problems face our Nation, we must never forget those who put their lives on the line to defend the United States. Their uniformed service is a testament to the common values of sacrifice, honor, and patriotism we all share.

It is my hope that this legislation will find swift passage in the Senate, and be signed into law by President Obama in an expedient manner. I urge an "aye" vote.

CONGRATULATING THE SYCAMORE HIGH SCHOOL WOMEN'S VARSITY LACROSSE TEAM

HON. JEAN SCHMIDT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 18, 2009

Mrs. SCHMIDT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Sycamore High School women's varsity lacrosse team on winning the Division I Ohio Schoolgirls Lacrosse Association State Championship. The Lady Aves finished their remarkable season with an undefeated record, a total of 22 victories. This was their second state championship in four years.

Led by Head Coach Ed Clark, the Sycamore Lady Aves have become one of the most recognized high school programs in the Midwest. This year's team was top ranked in Ohio for the entire season and finished 44th in national rankings. Sycamore was the highest ranked team in the Midwest based on strength of schedule and an overall won-loss record.

The Lady Aves beat their rivals, Upper Arlington to win the championship by a score of 7–6, avenging a loss to them in last year's title game. Sycamore was led by the tournament's Most Outstanding Offensive Player Lily Ricci and the Most Outstanding Defensive Player Adrian Amrine. The Aviators talented roster includes two first team All-Americans and two second team All-Americans. Three senior players will continue their careers at the collegiate level next season, including Ricci at Brown University, Emile Hunter at Virginia Tech, and Kelsey Beck at American University. The most impressive statistic for these young women is that 85 percent of the team earned honors in the classroom and were recognized for their leadership on and off the field.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing these highly talented women in their historic lacrosse season and in wishing them the best of luck in all their future endeavors.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 16, 2009

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2847) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes:

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California. Mr. Chair, the Legal Services Corporation exists to promote equal access to justice and to provide high-quality civil legal assistance to low-income Americans. Since its establishment by Congress in 1974, the Legal Services Corporation (LSC) has been the single largest provider of civil legal aid for the poor in the nation. LSC-funded programs serve the most basic civil legal needs of the poor in every state in the nation. The LSC helps people resolve landlord-tenant disputes, assists victims of domestic violence, and protects the elderly and other vulnerable groups from being victimized by unscrupulous lenders. Although the Legal Services Corporation has long garnered bipartisan support, some Members of this body are supporting efforts to decimate this already underfunded program. I am curious—do these Members think that poor people do not deserve access to legal help?

At least seven Members of the House submitted amendments that would take valuable dollars away from this invaluable program. One has even offered an amendment to eliminate all funding for the LSC. The message of these amendments is that if you are poor, you should take your lumps. Put your family in uninhabitable housing. Try to escape from domestic violence on your own. Let businesses defraud you with impunity. I say no. I am here as a proud supporter of the Legal Services Corporation. Over 95% of the LSC funding goes directly out to the programs. The Corporation consumes less than 5% in overhead.

I commend the Legal Services Corporation for addressing the justice gap that exists be-

tween rich and poor. Currently, for every eligible person assisted by LSC, one is turned away. Fifty percent of eligible citizens who seek help are turned away for one primary reason: lack of resources.

That is why I am grateful for Chairman MOLONAHAN's leadership in lifting some of the cumbersome restrictions and increasing our investment in the LSC and the people it serves. The truth is that Congress should be moving towards a future where no American will have to surrender her rights because she lacks the funds to pay for a high priced attorney. Instead, these amendments would take us in the wrong direction.

I urge my colleagues to support the Legal Services Corporation and oppose efforts to limit the assistance it can provide.

TRIBUTE TO JERRY W. MARTY

HON. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 18, 2009

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jerry W. Marty for a career of service to our country. For 40 years, Mr. Marty toiled to advance his dream of exploring the Arctic. Having worked after college for a civilian contractor under the U.S. Antarctic Research Program and as an infantry Imjin Scout in the U.S. Army, Mr. Marty is most known for his research at the South Pole. Later this month, Jerry will retire from the National Science Foundation (NSF). After 15 consecutive seasons at the South Pole, on June 30, 2009, Mr. Marty will begin a new chapter in his life.

From 1998 until his retirement Jerry served as the NSF Representative, South Pole Station and as Facilities Construction and Maintenance Manager for the South Pole Station Modernization Project, building a new elevated station, and the home of cutting edge research in topics ranging from astrophysics and origins of the universe, to climate change. It is a 65,000 square foot elevated research station that sits atop a moving ice sheet on stilts to protect it from snow drifts. The official dedication of the new station took place on January 12, 2008.

Jerry was involved in the Nation's Antarctic research program from 1969 until his retirement. He is one of the few people on Earth who can say he was involved, in some aspect, with every South Pole station. He was Assistant Construction Manager for completion of the second South Pole Station, including the iconic Dome enclosure for the station's buildings and was present for the dedication in 1975, helping to transition from the original station built in 1957. During 1994–1998 he served as Construction Manager associated with planning for modernization of South Pole Station, and oversaw the construction of the current station. Since October of 1994 he has not missed a single season at the South Pole, sacrificing holidays and birthdays with his family. In all, his service at the South Pole totals almost 5 years of his life.

His vision of traveling the world started with a pull-down map in his one-room school house in Monroe, Wisconsin, where he grew up as the son of a dairy farmer. He went on to graduate from the University of Wisconsin,

Platteville with a B.S. from the School of Industry, with an emphasis in Construction Management. He also served for 2 years starting in 1970 with the U.S. Army in South Korea, where he spent time in the demilitarized zone as an Imjin Scout (2nd Infantry Division).

To honor his dedicated years of service to building state of the art research facilities in the highest, driest, coldest, windiest place on Earth, Jerry was honored by the United States Board on Geographic Names by having the Marty Nunataks named after him. The Marty Nunataks are a group comprising about six nunataks in the western part of the Britannia Range in Antarctica.

In 1997, as Chairman of the Science Committee, I had the privilege of meeting Jerry during a visit I made to our research facilities in Antarctica to witness firsthand the research and construction that Americans were conducting at the South Pole and to evaluate the working and living conditions for our personnel stationed there. I was impressed with the dedication and expertise of the individuals on site. It was evident then, as it is now, that Jerry was admired by his colleagues.

Having worked diligently to ensure that the South Pole Station Modernization Project was authorized and funded, I am especially proud to honor Jerry on this occasion of his retirement for his dedication to the Nation's Antarctic Program since 1969. His unending commitment to the support of science will be remembered by all who know him.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE,
AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

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Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Chair, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Appropriations Committee for their inclusion of language that I requested in the Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2010. This language, which emphasizes the importance of federal support for crisis hotlines for rape victims, states as follows:

“Services for Victims of Rape.—The Committee is aware that an estimated one in six women in the United States will experience a sexual assault in her lifetime, and that the Federal Bureau of Investigation ranks rape as the second most violent crime, second only to murder. The Department of Justice is encouraged to continue supporting programs, including hotline programs, that facilitate the delivery of confidential recovery services to rape victims.”