

on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Special emphasis on gender and minority role models, both within the military and in the corresponding civilian world are part of the program design to boost aspirations for students who, without this program, would never have access to such modern technology and as a result they are better equipped to make training and educational plans for civilian and military careers. Matching funds will be provided by the project sponsor. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE WILSON

Bill Number: H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Procurement, Defense Wide

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: FN Manufacturing, LLC

Address of Requesting Entity: 797 Old Clemson Road, Columbia, SC 29229-4203

Description of Request: I have secured \$4,300,000 for FN Manufacturing to continue production of the Special Operations Combat Assault Rifle (SCAR). The SCAR was selected after a full and open competition. It meets validated U.S. SOCOM requirements for a 21st Century modular battle rifle available in 5.56 mm and 7.62 mm, and with Close Quarter Battle, Long-Range, and Sniper variants. Federal/taxpayer funding of the SCAR program will provide U.S. Special Operations Forces with a far more effective and reliable combat rifle than the current M-4/M-16 family of rifles. In its various modular configurations, the SCAR will replace five different rifles now in use, greatly reducing the need for maintenance and logistics support and associated costs. Matching funds are not applicable. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE WILSON

Bill Number: H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

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

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Advanced Technology Institute

Address of Requesting Entity: 5300 International Blvd., North Charleston, SC 29418

Description of Request: I have secured \$4,000,000 for Advanced Technology Institute to continue the Vanadium Technology Program. The Vanadium Technology Program funds the research, development and prototype-testing necessary to implement vanadium alloyed steel into warfighter protection and mobility. This funding builds on successes accomplished previously which include: reductions in weight, fabrication cost, and welding costs of 21 percent, 10 percent, and 53 percent respectively, leading to a smaller, higher-performing vanadium steel trailer design for the Army/Marine Joint Light Tactical Vehicle System; a longer span temporary bridge, designed by the Army Corps of Engineers and the University of South Carolina, to bridge road gaps in combat regions like Iraq; and, a new class of lighter, longer span trusses and joists, based on vanadium hot rolled steel angle shapes, have been developed and laboratory tested. Matching funds are not applicable. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE WILSON

Bill Number: H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Aircraft Procurement, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: South Carolina Army National Guard

Address of Requesting Entity: 1 National Guard Rd., Columbia, SC 29201

Description of Request: I have secured \$4,000,000 for the South Carolina Army National Guard Vibration Management Enhancement Program (VMEP). This funding will continue fielding this proven capability on the Army National Guard's AH-64, CH-47, and UH-60 helicopter fleets. VMEP collects and utilizes information derived from onboard sensors to indicate the state and health of the helicopter drive system and rotational components. VMEP enabled the SCARNG to realize a total savings in parts costs over a 12-month period of \$1.4 million, as well as an increase in mission capable rates. These funds would ensure that the South Carolina Army National Guard aviation program stays in the forefront of embedded technology doctrine. Matching funds are not applicable. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOE WILSON

Bill Number: H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Other Procurement, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Dynamic Animation Systems, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 12015 Lee Jackson Memorial Hwy, #200, Fairfax, VA 22033

Description of Request: I have secured \$4,800,000 for Dynamic Animation Systems to procure the Virtual Interactive Combat Environment (V.I.C.E.) for the Basic Combat Training Center of Excellence at Fort Jackson. V.I.C.E. is a rapidly deployable turnkey solution that provides maintainable, adaptable systems which the Course Manager will use to more effectively train Soldiers of the Basic Combat Training Center of Excellence in their Warrior Tasks and Battle Drills, including IED Detect and Defeat. V.I.C.E. offers easily reconfigurable solutions that facilitate individual, fire team, and squad level training. Within this framework, V.I.C.E. provides the capability to support rapidly evolving rules of engagement (ROE) and strategic objectives associated with full-spectrum operations. V.I.C.E. allows instructors to efficiently train doctrinal tasks, as well as, tactics, techniques and procedures (TTPs) for combat, peacekeeping, and humanitarian missions. V.I.C.E. also supports the interoperability standards required to leverage the capabilities of existing systems. The funds will procure Virtual Interactive Combat Environment (V.I.C.E.) systems (including hardware, software, installation, support) for Fort Jackson, thereby keeping Fort Jackson on the cutting edge of military training capability. The Course Manager of the Basic Combat Training Center of Excellence at Fort Jackson requires federal assistance in obtaining funding for the immediate fielding of the V.I.C.E. as a needed training capability exemplar for Basic Combat Training. Matching funds are not applicable. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2892, the Fiscal Year 2010 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act.

1) \$750,000 for the North Bend Area Residential Flood Mitigation

Requesting Entity: King County, WA

Address: King County Courthouse, 516 Third Ave, Rm 1200, Seattle, WA 98104

Agency: FEMA

Account: Pre-disaster Mitigation

Funding Requested by: Rep. DAVE REICHERT

Deep and repetitive floods have struck parts of the North Bend area. The Shamrock Park neighborhood, for example, includes several repetitive loss properties as identified by the National Flood Insurance Program. The neighborhood has been repeatedly flooded at different times from different sources including the South Fork Snoqualmie, Ribary Creek, and Clough Creek. The flooding cannot be prevented unless all sources are addressed. A more reliable, cost-effective solution would be to make each home less susceptible to high water.

Although a system of levees protects most homes in the North Bend area from damage during minor floods, the capacity of the levee system is limited. Flows in excess of 20-year highs overtop portions of the levee system and cause damage to neighboring properties. Raising and extending levees is cost-prohibitive, requires demolition of many homes, is incompatible with regulatory protection of floodway conveyance capacity, and fails to address all known flood hazards. Hazards are associated with the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and the South Fork Snoqualmie River, as well as several smaller tributary streams. Levees along these river channels cannot prevent flooding from other sources.

The proposed project will protect public safety and private property by reducing flood hazards to residential areas of the City of North Bend. In addition to these benefits, the project will result in reduced flood insurance claims and reduced need for federal disaster assistance.

The project will result in approximately 80 jobs. These jobs would be in the fields of real estate transactions and contracting jobs to demolish or elevate structures.

This office conducted site visits to meet with representatives from King County to examine the need for this funding.

North Bend Residential Flood Mitigation. The estimated total project cost is \$5,800,000 in FY 2010, with an immediate need of \$1,000,000 to sustain the project by elevating the first 10 homes in the highest risk area. The full project includes elevation of 50 homes, with costs allocated as follows:

Unit Costs for Home Elevations (1):
Estimated Construction Costs \$100,000.00
Elevation Certificates \$1,250
Elevation Cost Estimates \$200.00
Geotechnical Analysis \$315

Structural Design \$3,200
 Septic "As Built" \$200
 Health Dept. Review \$300
 Building Permits \$3,385
 Recording fees \$100
 Project Management \$10,000
 TOTAL \$118,950

Estimated Project Costs (assumes minimum request for 9 homes) (10):

Estimated Construction Costs \$1,000,000.00
 Elevation Certificates \$12,500.00
 Elevation Cost Estimates \$2,000.00
 Geotechnical Analysis \$3,150.00
 Structural Design \$32,000.00
 Septic "As Built" \$2,000.00
 Health Dept. Review \$3,000.00
 Building Permits \$33,850.00
 Recording fees \$1,000.00
 Project Management \$100,000
 TOTAL \$1,189,500

Estimated Project Costs (full request for 9 homes) (50):

Estimated Construction Costs \$5,000,000.00
 Elevation Certificates \$62,500.00
 Elevation Cost Estimates \$10,000.00
 Geotechnical Analysis \$15,750.00
 Structural Design \$160,000.00
 Septic "As Built" \$10,000.00
 Health Dept. Review \$15,000.00
 Building Permits \$169,250.00
 Recording fees \$5,000.00
 Project Management \$400,000
 TOTAL \$5,847,500

TRIBUTE TO FLOYD AND ALMA
 BOSTICK ON THE CELEBRATION
 OF THEIR 60TH WEDDING ANNI-
 VERSARY

HON. DONALD M. PAYNE

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues here in the House of Representatives to join me as I rise to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Floyd and Alma Bostick on their 60th wedding anniversary. A celebration in their honor is being held on Sunday, June 21, 2009 at the Pines Manor in Edison, New Jersey.

Floyd Bostick, Jr. and the former Alma Lorraine Webb were married in Atlanta, Georgia on March 28, 1949. This blessed union produced three children, nine grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. The Bosticks made their home in Newark before moving to Westfield, New Jersey in 1966. Mr. Bostick retired from the Newark Police Department where he was the founder of the Bronze Shields. Mrs. Bostick retired from the United States Immigration Department as a Special Agent. They still work as entrepreneurs with a specialty in exquisitely designed jewelry.

Mr. and Mrs. Bostick are wonderful, loving people and they celebrate their faith at the St. John's Baptist Church in Scotch Plains where Mrs. Bostick is the President of the Women's Guild Ministry. This couple embodies the spirit of matrimony and serves as role models for younger couples who are striving to have long successful marriages.

Madam Speaker, I know my colleagues join me in letting Mr. and Mrs. Fred and Alma Bostick's family, friends and congregation know that their 60th anniversary is indeed a cause for celebration.

IN HONOR OF FAY KANIN

HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. WAXMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize the extraordinary leadership of Fay Kanin, Chair of the Library of Congress National Film Preservation Board. On June 24, 2009 the Library of Congress will honor Fay for her leadership and assistance to Congress and the Library in their efforts to promote public awareness of the need to preserve America's unparalleled film heritage.

Since 1989, Fay Kanin has served with distinction as the Chair of the National Film Preservation Board, a congressionally-mandated advisory body to the Librarian of Congress. The Board, under her leadership, has assisted the Librarian of Congress in educating Americans about the diversity of our nation's film heritage and highlighted the importance of preservation and the intensive efforts required to safeguard our irreplaceable movie heritage.

During her illustrious career as a writer, playwright and producer on the Broadway stage, in television and in Hollywood, Fay Kanin has earned acclaim for works as diverse as *Goodbye My Fancy*, *Teacher's Pet*, *Tell Me Where It Hurts*, *Friendly Fire*, *Heat of Anger*, and *Heartsounds*. She has received an Academy Award nomination, two Emmy Awards, additional Emmy nominations, the Edmund H. North Award from the Writers Guild of America, a Golden Globe nomination, the Humanitas Prize Kieser Award, the Crystal Award of Women in Film, the Peabody Award, and a Tony nomination.

Ms. Kanin has been a leader and a pioneer in the Hollywood community, serving four terms from 1979 to 1983 as the second female president in the history of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. She has given years of service to the Hollywood community as a member of the Academy's Board of Governors, President of the Academy Foundation, and President of the Screen Branch of the Writers Guild of America.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Fay Kanin for her twenty years of service to the film preservation efforts of the Library of Congress, and her decades of contributions to the Hollywood community and the nation.

SUPPORTING THE NATIONAL BIO-
 AND AGRO-DEFENSE FACILITY

HON. LYNN JENKINS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Ms. JENKINS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of the National Bio- and Agro-Defense Facility, also known as the NBAF. After September 11, former-President Bush issued a security directive to increase our nation's capacity for animal disease research to protect our food supply as well as defend our agriculture and public health against disease outbreaks.

This directive could not come too soon, as the H1N1 pandemic is testament to the need for such high-level disease research and the

impacts such outbreaks have on individuals in the United States and also around the world. The current facility at Plum Island is aging and cannot keep pace with today's needs.

DHS conducted an exhaustive, three-year search for the best site to relocate the facility. In January, the Department completed its search and finalized Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas as the site selection.

The so-called animal health corridor, stretching from Manhattan to Columbia, Missouri, is home to more than one-third of the animal health industry, involving more than 120 companies. Additionally, Kansas State has an internationally recognized animal health research expertise and with existing research infrastructure, including the Biosecurity Research Institute and the National Agricultural Biosecurity Center. DHS chose the right place for NBAF, and now, we must work to complete the construction process.

This project is critical to the protection of our food supply and public health which is why we cannot afford to delay it. Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting the construction of NBAF in Kansas.

IN MEMORY OF WARREN H.
 ABERNATHY

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Yesterday, South Carolina lost a longtime friend and leader of our state, Colonel Warren H. Abernathy. A native of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Mr. Abernathy will always be revered as the right-hand confidant of the late Senator Strom Thurmond. I learned firsthand as a Thurmond intern in 1967 of his devotion and loyalty to Senator Thurmond.

The eulogy below was thoughtfully written by Jason Spencer in today's Spartanburg Herald-Journal:

THURMOND'S RIGHT-HAND MAN DIES IN
 SPARTANBURG

South Carolina lost a keen mind, public servant and power broker in state and national politics early Monday with the death of Warren H. Abernathy. He was 85.

Abernathy, of 111 Hillbrook Drive, is often described as the late Sen. Strom Thurmond's right-hand man, someone who worked tirelessly behind the scenes.

The dynamic between the two was that they were of one mind. Thurmond was the public face; Abernathy, the private man. He stood in the background almost any time a newspaper photographer was around. He turned down offers to write books, or to be the subject of one.

"He was the man in the shadow. And he liked that," said daughter Marcia Duncan of Gaffney. "He never wanted to run for political office. He said he liked what he was doing, and that he was supporting someone who could make a difference in South Carolina."

Thurmond, while governor in the 1940s, hired a young Abernathy after the late S.C. Supreme Court Chief Justice Bruce Littlejohn introduced them. He would later serve as Thurmond's state manager, overseeing four offices, and as secretary-treasurer of the Strom Thurmond Foundation.

He worked with Thurmond for nearly half a century.