

THE APPROPRIATIONS PACKAGE  
AND AMTRAK

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, today, the House will consider the end of year appropriations package. In that package, is a one-page provision that risk undermining nearly a decade of rail security efforts by Amtrak. It requires Amtrak to allow passengers at stations that accept checked baggage to check their guns.

There are those who argue that this is a reasonable provision which would simply grant rail travelers the same opportunities as aviation travelers. These people fundamentally miss the point.

The challenges of securing rail are very different than securing aviation. Airports are controlled environments with screeners, checkpoints and multiple law enforcement agencies, rail stations are not. Airline passengers are watch listed, rail passengers are not. Guns that are checked on planes are stored away from passengers. Under this provision, guns could be "checked" in the same car as the passenger. This provision is bad security of policy and puts Amtrak passengers and staff and anyone else in rail stations at risk.

A TRIBUTE TO REDLANDS CITY  
CLERK LORRIE POYZER FOR 33  
YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE

**HON. JERRY LEWIS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. LEWIS of California. Madam Speaker, I would like to pay tribute to Redlands City Clerk Lorrie Poyzer, who over the past three decades has established herself as the institutional memory of this Southern California city.

A true native of this San Bernardino County city, Lorrie Poyzer is a Redlands High School graduate and the daughter of Marion H. Poyzer, who was the city's elected Treasurer from 1960 to 1975. Her grandfather and his sister were the first recorded twins born in the city around 1900.

After graduation from Redlands High School and then San Bernardino Valley College, Louie Poyzer worked for seven years as office manager for the Redlands Teachers Association, and seven more as the assistant manager's secretary of the Bank of America Redlands branch.

She went to work in the City Clerk's office in February 1976, shortly after her father retired as city Treasurer. In those days before computers, she had to retype minutes of the City Council meetings three or four times as changes were made. She was appointed deputy clerk within a year.

Her expertise and years of service led to the City Council appointing Lorrie Poyzer acting City Clerk in January 1983, and she was elected to the first of seven consecutive terms in November 2003.

Madam Speaker, as with many growing cities, Redlands has seen its share of changes in leadership. Ms. Poyzer has served with 10

mayors, 29 City Council members and 11 City Managers. She has overseen the accurate recording of minutes for more than 1,000 council meetings.

Under her leadership, Redlands has become known for its incredibly accurate record-keeping. The office has ensured that all former paper records have been transferred to computers, and she is proud to say that her office can find any document—even dating back to the city founding in 1888—within 10 minutes.

As City Clerk, Ms. Poyzer has overseen numerous municipal elections and has a long-established reputation for fair and impartial handling of candidates. Her duties have ranged from administering oaths and affirmations to helping organize the city's Centennial celebration in 1988. She has even taken charge of selling tickets to the annual Fourth of July celebration at the University of Redlands.

Over the years, Lorrie Poyzer has become known as the person who knows everything about the city and community of Redlands. She handles all requests for help and information cheerfully and efficiently.

Madam Speaker, after serving as the elected city clerk for 26 years, Lorrie Poyzer is retiring this month. We will all miss her vast knowledge of our city and its history, but we wish her success and happiness on her retirement. Please join me in commending her for a fabulous life of public service.

A TRIBUTE TO DAWN MONIQUE  
ADAMS-FULTON

**HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS-**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dawn Monique Adams-Fulton.

Mrs. Adams-Fulton is a Rehabilitation Counselor for New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. She presently provided services to the chemical dependency population at Cumberland Diagnostic and Treatment Center. She has provided this population with support and guidance for the last ten years. She has demonstrated a high level of dedication to the clients she services by ensuring that they have the tools they need to become and remain productive members of society.

She has been employed at Steinway Child & Family Services for 14 years as a Director Child Care worker. In this role, she is responsible for assisting children with problem solving, life skills and conflict resolution.

Prior to joining the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, Mrs. Adams-Fulton worked in the foster care system for eight years through a host agency, the Richard Allen Center on Life and Sheltering Arms Foster Care Agency. In both positions she was dedicated to making and ensuring children were protected and provided with a happy and safe beginning.

Her leadership, dedication and communication skills have been recognized through receiving many certificates of appreciation.

She obtained her Bachelor's of Science Degree from College of Human Services (presently known as Metropolitan College). Mrs. Adams-Fulton continued her education by attending Long Island University and received

her Master's of Science Degree in Counseling and Family Education. Mrs. Adams-Fulton also possesses her certification in the field of addiction (CASAC) and has a License in Mental Health Counseling (LMHC). In addition to her education, she has a credential in Family Development from Cornell University.

She is also a member of Dewitt Headstart Parent Involvement Committee. In this role she is responsible for encouraging and supporting parents and promoting their involvement in their children's education and future.

Mrs. Adams-Fulton enjoys spending her free time with her family and her circle of friends. Her role models are her grandmothers, Marion L. Adams and Emma Campbell. They instilled in her the importance of family and being responsible. In addition, she has a host of leaders that have provided guidance and encouragement in her professional growth.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dawn Monique Adams-Fulton.

REMEMBERING SENATOR PAULA  
HAWKINS

**HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember an historic figure in Florida politics, United States Senator Paula Hawkins, who died at the age of 82 on Friday, December 4, 2009.

Senator Hawkins was the first woman from any State elected to a full U.S. Senate term who was not the wife or daughter of a politician.

Senator Hawkins was a champion of children's issues and issues relating to single women.

She was instrumental in passing The Missing Children's Act of 1982, which established a national clearinghouse for information about missing children.

Senator Hawkins fought to help women enter the job market after divorce or widowhood, for equalizing pension benefits for women by taking into account their years spent at home raising children, for day care for the children of Senate employees and for tax breaks on child care expenses.

But probably her most courageous act took place in 1984 when she publicly disclosed that she was sexually molested as a child.

We should all be grateful to Senator Hawkins, Madam Speaker, for opening the door for so many others.

EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. ZACH WAMP**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. WAMP. Madam Speaker, as a leader on earmark reform among House Republicans, I am committed to honoring House Republican rules that provide for greater transparency. H.R. 3288, the Fiscal Year 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act, contains the following funding that I requested:

Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Army  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: Fort Campbell, Kentucky  
 Address: 39 Normandy Avenue, Fort Campbell, Kentucky 42223

Description of Request: There is inadequate chapel space at Ft. Campbell. The current facilities are scattered across the entire installation in several substandard World War II buildings that are in disrepair. The construction of a chapel complex will provide every Fort Campbell soldier, their family members and retirees a quality facility in which to worship and practice their religious faith. As overseas deployments remain high, an increasing number of soldiers and families will rely on the chapel to support their spiritual needs. The local Clarksville Chamber of Commerce has strongly advocated for a new chapel on Ft. Campbell. Fort Campbell receives \$14.4 million for this project.

Distribution of funding:  
 Chapel 72%  
 Antiterrorism/Force Protection Measures 1%  
 Infrastructure (electric, water) 11%  
 Supervision, Inspection & Overhead 16%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Defense Wide  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: Fort Campbell, Kentucky  
 Address: 39 Normandy Avenue, Fort Campbell, Kentucky 42223

Description of Request: Proficiency of foreign language skills is needed to maintain unit and individual soldier readiness. Each Special Forces soldier is required to practice linguistic skills two-hours per day to maintain skill level. Currently, students conduct language training in a World War II-era facility. The space is inadequate for the number of special operation soldiers receiving language training especially during periods of high attendance. An average student load of 212 students is anticipated. Fort Campbell receives \$6.8 million for this project.

Distribution of funding:  
 Special Ops Language Training Facility 70%  
 Antiterrorism/Force Protection Measures 1%  
 Infrastructure (electric, water) 16%  
 Supervision, Inspection & Overhead 13%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Surface Transportation Priorities  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: City of Chattanooga's Enterprise Center  
 Address: 1250 Market Street, Suite 3020, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Description of Request: The City of Chattanooga's Enterprise Center requested funding to complete a feasibility study approved by Congress for a high speed maglev train between Atlanta, Chattanooga and Nashville. Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Airport is the nation's busiest airport. A maglev train will relieve tremendous congestion in the Atlanta metro area and serve as part of a long needed "intermodal mass transit system" for the United States. Federal funding is needed for additional engineering work and development of a detailed financial plan, to include the number of riders and expected profits. The corridor is recommended by the State of Georgia's Joint Study Committee on Transportation Funding. The City of Chattanooga's Enterprise Center receives \$750,000 to complete this study.

Distribution of funding:  
 Salaries, wages, benefits and taxes 23.85%

Professional Fee/Contractors 56%  
 Office Supplies and maintenance 4.65%  
 Travel/Conferences and Meetings 9.07%  
 Indirect Costs 6.43%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Interstate Maintenance Discretionary

Legal Name Requesting Entity: City of Cleveland  
 Address: 190 Church Street NE, Cleveland, TN 37311

Description of Request: The Cleveland Mayor and City Council requested funding to redesign and construct Exit 20 on Interstate 75 to eliminate a dangerous bottleneck of traffic and widen a narrow bridge. This exit is the gateway to the Tri-State Exhibition Center, the Ocoee Recreation Region and the Cherokee National Forest, and is often excessively congested and unsafe for vehicles. A new exit and widened bridge will improve safety for travelers, truck drivers and community residents. The redesign will also facilitate new industrial and commercial growth in the area. The Mayor and City of Cleveland receives \$1.2 million for this project.

Distribution of funding:  
 Right of way and utilities 100%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Transportation Planning, Research and Development  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: Oak Ridge National Laboratory  
 Address: 2360 Cherahala Boulevard, Knoxville, TN 37932

Description of Request: The National Transportation Research Center at Oak Ridge National Laboratory requested funding to examine how cutting edge technologies can be used to define real world driving conditions for advanced power train systems research. Building on past investments by the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the University of Tennessee, this study will support existing research to increase automobile efficiency and safety and introduce new capabilities for advanced transportation for universities, the government and industry. Using these cutting edge technologies to test various combinations of engine components before building a prototype vehicle will save time and money in developing our nation's next generation of trucks, buses, military vehicles and passenger cars. Oak Ridge National Laboratory's National Transportation Research Center receives \$250,000 for this research.

Distribution of funding:  
 Data Analysis 50%  
 Model Development and Use 40%  
 Program Management & Reporting 10%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Economic Development Initiative  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: Claiborne County Industrial Development Board  
 Address: 1732 Main Street, Suite 1, Tazewell, TN 37879

Description of Request: The Claiborne County Center for Higher Education provides educational growth opportunities not available in Claiborne, Hancock, Grainger, and Union counties. Rural counties need access to advanced education. Career skills are necessary for the jobs of the future. The Claiborne County Industrial Development Board purchased an unused facility to provide job training for residents in this underserved area. The Claiborne County Industrial Development Board receives \$189,000 for renovations to the building.

Distribution of funding:  
 Fire Alarm 30.2%  
 ADA Compliance 31.8%  
 Window Replacement 33.8%  
 Architectural Design 4.2%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Department of Education—Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE)

Legal Name Requesting Entity: University of Tennessee at Chattanooga  
 Address: 615 McCallie Avenue, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37403

Description of Request: The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga requested funding to create a Center for Leadership in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education. Federal funding is needed to help establish the Center and assist in teacher recruitment, training and support. As the competition for technical innovations increases, improved education in these fields is critical to maintaining economic competitiveness in the region. The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga receives \$770,000 to establish its STEM Center.

Distribution of funding:  
 Center Implementation & Capacity Building 25%  
 Teacher Recruitment and Preparation 25%  
 Educator STEM Training & Support 25%  
 STEM Career Training for Adult Learners 25%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: Small Business Administration—Salaries and Expenses  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: University of Memphis  
 Address: 303 FedEx Institute, Memphis, Tennessee 38152

Description of Request: The University of Memphis requested funding for an entrepreneurial training program to promote new business growth targeting science and technology-based and minority-owned businesses. Federal funding is needed for University of Memphis experts and students to develop business plans, evaluate new technologies and provide legal expertise to small businesses and entrepreneurs. The program will have a significant impact on the economy and encourage investment and jobs in the Memphis metropolitan area and the mid-south region. The University of Memphis receives \$685,000 for the entrepreneurial training program.

Distribution of funding:  
 Salaries and Center Administration 20%  
 Equipment 13%  
 Business and Legal Services and Training 47%

Education and Conferences 20%  
 Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP  
 Account: COPS-Methamphetamine Enforcement and Clean-up Grants  
 Legal Name Requesting Entity: Tennessee Bureau of Investigation-Tennessee Methamphetamine Task Force  
 Address: 901 R.S. Gass Blvd., Nashville, TN 37216-2369 c/o 1110 Market Street, Suite 332, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Description of Request: The Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Tennessee Methamphetamine Task Force requested funding to train and equip local law enforcement officers throughout the State of Tennessee in a cooperative effort to combat the manufacture, distribution and use of methamphetamine, both domestic and foreign, in Tennessee. Twenty-

four hour response will be provided to state and local law enforcement agencies fighting the epidemic. The Tennessee Bureau of Investigations and the Tennessee Meth Task Force receives \$2 million to supplement the lack of funding for preventing illegal methamphetamine use.

Distribution of funding:

Personnel 8%

Benefits 3%

Travel 8%

Equipment 16%

Supplies 25%

Contract law enforcement officers 31%

Training 9%

Requesting Member: Rep. ZACH WAMP

Account: Department of Justice Byrne Discretionary Grant Program

Legal Name Requesting Entity: City of Chattanooga

Address: 101 East 11th Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402

Description of Request: The Mayor and City Council of Chattanooga have requested funding to move and equip a law enforcement firing range. In 2003, President Bush signed legislation establishing the Moccasin Bend National Archeological District at the location where the current range has been used for police training for decades. The formation of the national park and the planned visitor center requires that the firing range be moved to another site. The Mayor and City of Chattanooga receives \$500,000 to offset part of the expense associated with the relocation.

Distribution of funding:

Facility renovation 30%

Equipment 50%

Technology 20%

#### A TRIBUTE TO DAVID CALLAWAY

### HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS—

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of David Callaway, a clarinetist who has been described as nothing short of exhilarating. Mr. Callaway has captivated audiences throughout the U.S., England, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Switzerland, and Taiwan with this masterful virtuosity, expressiveness and musical inventiveness.

As an active educator, Mr. Callaway believes in the nurturing of young musicians, and has inspired future generations of music students through his teaching and mentoring. He is a former Fulbright Scholar to Taiwan, and specializes in the traditional Beiguan music of Taiwan.

Mr. Callaway has appeared with the Atlanta Opera Orchestra, Orlando Symphony, New York Philharmonica, New Jersey Philharmonic, New Haven Opera, Sinfonia Celestis, Manhattan Virtuosi, Conductor's Institute Orchestra, and various ensembles at the Spoleto festival in Charleston, South Carolina. He has performed under the batons of such conductors as Kurt Masur, Jerzy Semkow, William Schuman, Julius Rudel, William Fred Scott, Zdenek Macal and David Gilbert. In addition, Mr. Callaway has worked with prominent composers John Corigliano, Donald Martino, Jacob Druckman, Ned Rorem and Karel Husa.

Equally accomplished as a recitalist and chamber musician, Mr. Callaway has per-

formed at Weill Recital Hall at Carnegie Hall, Alice Tully Hall, Merkin Concert Hall, Miller Theater at Columbia University and the Great Hall at Cooper Union. He is also an avid proponent of new music, and has performed the music of John Corigliano, Elloitt Carter, Edison Denisov, Luciano Berio, Steve Reich, Donald Martino, Joan Tower, Chou Wen-chung and Huang-Long Pan.

As a recipient of the William J. Fulbright Scholarship award, David Callaway traveled to Taiwan to research the traditional Beiguan Music of Taiwan and genealogy of the double-reed suona. He served on the Fulbright Committee, was a frequent advisor and mentor to Taiwanese Fulbright grantees, and appeared on the Central Broadcasting Station's radio show "Life Unusual".

David Callaway has most recently served on the clarinet faculty of the Juilliard School's Music Advancement Program in New York City, and has taught at Vassar and Bard Colleges, the Manhattan School of Music, and as guest teacher at Emory University.

He received his Doctor of Music Arts and Master of Music degrees from the Manhattan School of Music, and his Bachelor of Music degree from the University of South Carolina. His major teachers have included Ricardo Morales, David Krakauer, Doug Graham and Laura Ardan.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing David Callaway.

#### 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF VOICE OF AMERICA'S SERVICE TO UKRAINE

### HON. SANDER M. LEVIN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. LEVIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 60th anniversary of Voice of America's service to Ukraine.

Created in the early days of the Cold War, Voice of America provides comprehensive, uncensored information to Ukrainians about world events and reinforces the importance of free speech, expression, and a free press. As the Soviet Union fell and Ukraine struggled to shake off the reins of communism, Voice of America continued to serve as a trustworthy, pro-democratic source of news. Its commentary and analysis were highly valued during the Orange Revolution of 2004, and remain so as the country prepares for its first presidential election since ushering in a new era of democratic governance.

Today, Voice of America reaches almost five million viewers across Ukraine each week with its television programming and maintains a Ukrainian-language website with up-to-date news reports. Ukrainians continue to rely on these services for accurate information about national and international events, as well as to learn more about American politics and culture.

Madam Speaker, Voice of America will celebrate its many contributions to Ukraine on December 11, 2009. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Voice of America, and its dedicated staff, for its six decades of service to Ukraine.

IN HONOR OF DOUGLAS J. FOLEY

### HON. JOHN H. ADLER

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. ADLER of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to have this opportunity to express my gratitude to Mr. Douglas J. Foley for his dedicated and tireless service with the East Dover Fire Company in Toms River, NJ.

Mr. Foley has selflessly and bravely served the people of Toms River throughout his career and is retiring in January after a lifetime of service. After serving as vice-president of the company for the past eight years, he has made important improvements to the Fire Company and the safety of the town and its people.

I would like to thank Mr. Foley for his exemplary service. Thank you for all you have done and I wish you a Happy Retirement.

#### HONORING GRIFFIN HOSPITAL AS IT CELEBRATES ITS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

### HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Ms. DeLAURO. Madam Speaker, it gives me great pleasure to rise today to join all of those gathered to celebrate the centennial anniversary of Griffin Hospital. On December 9, 1909, Ralph Colonna, a worker at Ansonia Brass was the first patient admitted to Griffin Hospital and thus began its distinguished history of providing quality health services to the communities of the Lower Naugatuck Valley.

When Griffin Hospital first opened its doors, it held just twenty-four beds. Today, Griffin Hospital has grown into one of the most respected health institutions in the country. Its facilities cover hundreds of thousands of square feet and include the Griffin Imaging and Diagnostics Center, the Hewitt Ambulatory Pavilion, the Center for Cancer Care, the Yale Griffin Prevention Research Center, Childbirth Center, as well as the only hospital based hospice service in Connecticut. From Charles E. Clark, the hospital's first president, to today's President and Chief Executive Officer, Patrick Charnel, the unique vision of its strong leadership has allowed Griffin to expand its services to meet the changing needs of its patients and the community. In fact, in 2005, much in part because of Griffin's growing industry leadership position, Pat was appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services to the National Advisory Council for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

Perhaps most important is the culture of care that surrounds Griffin Hospital. In 1992, Griffin adopted the Planetree patient-centered care philosophy—promoting the development and implementation of innovative models of healthcare that focus on health and nurturing body, mind, and soul. Just last year, Griffin became a "Designated Planetree Patient-Centered Hospital" which is the formal recognition of the hospital's achievement and innovation in fostering an organizational culture that prioritizes patient comfort, dignity, empowerment, and well-being. In following this patient-