

and prosecute financial cyber crimes within Alabama. Staff will be hired to conduct computer research and monitor the phishing sites, train law enforcement agencies in analysis and investigative techniques as related to phishing, and conduct analysis and investigation into leads generated by the UAB Computer Forensics Department. This project will protect citizens from predatory actions such as cyber scams. Not only will more criminals be brought to justice but the victims will have a better chance of recovering losses. This will help protect financial institutions against fraud and lessen potential demands on the FDIC fund. The project's total budget is \$3,215,585. Specifically within the budget, for the Alabama District Attorney's Association \$225,000 will go toward personnel, \$154,334 for fringe benefits, \$60,000 for travel, \$75,000 for supplies, \$237,100 for equipment and \$150,000 for other expenses; for the University of Alabama at Birmingham Association \$364,639 will go toward personnel, \$65,659 for fringe benefits, \$50,000 for travel, \$51,000 for tuition and health insurance, \$210,000 for equipment and \$289,997 indirect costs; and for the Alabama Department of Public Safety \$238,968 will go toward personnel, \$103,981 for fringe benefits, \$60,907 for travel, \$50,000 for supplies, \$200,000 for equipment and \$80,000 for other expenses. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs—Ju Byrne Discretionary Grants. The Alabama Department of Public Safety will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Justice, Department of Justice, COPS-Meth

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama District Attorney's Association—Office of Prosecution Services

Address of Requesting Entity: 515 South Perry Street Montgomery AL, 36104

Description of Request: Zerometh is Alabama's reaction to the destructive force of today's meth epidemic. Its purpose is to expose meth and its deadly consequences to teens and young adults (12–24). The goal is to stop a potential first-time user from ever trying the drug, while encouraging everyone to look for the warning signs and support treatment. The funding will be used to purchase media and develop presentations. Meth use is a national epidemic that requires attention at all levels, but education will be the critical step to slowing down the rate of addiction to the powerful job. Zerometh has a distinctly federal goal in its mission to educate young people as to the dangers of Meth and the impact it can have on their life. The project's total budget is \$1,000,000. Specifically within the budget, \$830,000 will go toward advertising and media expenses, \$50,000 for meth education presentations, \$55,000 for administration and training and \$65,000 for equipment, supplies and printing. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Department of Justice, COPS-Meth Account. The Alabama District Attorney's Association—Office of Prosecution Services will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mrs. EMERSON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information in regards to H.R. 3288.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$650,000 for an environmental study, engineering design work, and construction work on Route 25 in Jackson, Missouri. The funds will be used to alleviate traffic and dangerous conditions on Route 25 between Jackson Trail and the city limits of Jackson, Missouri. The State of Missouri will provide 20% match. All federal funds received will be spent on Route 25 in Jackson, Missouri and will not be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for the expansion of four-lane highway south of Poplar Bluff, Missouri to south of Route 160. The funds would also be used to rehabilitate dangerous intersections on Route 67 at U.S. 160, as well as Missouri Highway 158. The State of Missouri will provide 20% match. All federal funds received will be spent on this project and will not be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to rehabilitate the Chester Bridge which transverses the Mississippi River from Perry County, Missouri to Randolph County, Illinois. The bridge is vital to the region's transportation needs. The State of Missouri will provide 20% to match the federal contribution. All federal funds received will be spent on rehabilitation of the Chester Bridge and will not be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Economic Development Initiatives

Requesting Entity: Washington County, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: 102 N. Missouri Street, Potosi, MO 63664

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$300,000 for renovations to make the Washington County, Missouri building accessible to individuals with disabilities. The Washington County building is outdated; many sec-

tions are inaccessible to individuals in wheelchairs. The federal funds would provide the means for Washington County to bring the building in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for right of way improvements and engineering design to the narrow portion of Route 63 in Phelps and Maries Counties. This project will improve the overall safety of the roadway. The State of Missouri will provide 20% to match the federal contribution. All federal funds received will be spent on right of way improvements and engineering design. None of these funds will be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Transportation & Community & System Preservation

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to improve shoulders, as well as widen and straighten curves along Route 34 in Cape Girardeau and Bollinger Counties. This segment of Route 34 is heavily traveled by commuters and there are serious safety concerns with the roadway. The State of Missouri will provide 20% to match the federal contribution. All federal funds received will be spent on improving Route 34. None of these funds will be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: OJP-Byrne

Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri Network Against Sexual Violence

Address of Requesting Entity: #69 Doctors' Park, Suite C, Cape Girardeau, MO 63703

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$200,000 to the Southeast Missouri Network Against Sexual Violence (SEMO NASV) to equip and staff an office in the Bootheel of Missouri to assist victims of domestic and sexual violence, as well as support local law enforcement investigations. SEMO NASV provides services to over 700 adult and child victims of sexual and physical abuse. The organization serves a 10-county region in Southeastern Missouri. It plays a vital role in the process of convicting sex offenders and provides counseling and other services to victims. The funds will be spent as follows: \$126,000 for personnel, \$59,000 for equipment, \$12,000 for office space, and \$3,000 for training and travel.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: COPS-Meth

Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri Drug Task Force

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 1763, Sikeston, Missouri 63801

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$200,000 to supplement and support operations of the Southeast Missouri Drug Task

Force (SEMO DTF). SEMO DTF is a multi-jurisdictional drug task force unit that serves a 10-county area of Southeast Missouri. The unit conducts both covert and overt investigations into the possession, manufacture, and distribution of controlled substances. The funds will be spent as follows: \$32,000 for personnel, \$89,000 for overtime compensation, \$66,000 for equipment, \$4,500 for telecommunication services, \$6,000 for supplies, and \$2,500 for personnel expenses.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: COPS-Meth
 Requesting Entity: Mineral Area Drug Task Force/City of Leadington, Missouri
 Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 349, Farmington, MO 63640

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$200,000 to assist with funding Mineral Area Drug Task Force's enforcement efforts in locating, dismantling, and reducing the number of methamphetamine laboratories within the area of their operation. Approximately \$124,000 is for the purchase of equipment to assist officers in their investigations, \$36,000 is for overtime for officers assigned to methamphetamine investigations, \$16,000 is for office and field supplies to assist officers in the preparation of reports and to provide supplies to facilitate the processing of clandestine labs, and \$24,000 is for travel and training to equip officers with the knowledge to efficiently perform their duties.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: COPS-Meth
 Requesting Entity: Howell County, Missouri
 Address of Requesting Entity: 1106 Missouri Avenue, West Plains, Missouri 65775

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for the South Central Drug Task Force to enhance drug enforcement in project area. South Central Drug Task Force is a multi-jurisdictional drug enforcement task force, and an existing HIDTA initiative within Midwest HIDTA, comprised of federal, state, and local law enforcement officers including nine Sheriff's Departments, Municipal Police Departments, Missouri State Highway Patrol, United States Forest Service, and United States Park Service. Approximately \$50,000 in overtime funding for existing narcotics officers; \$122,500 for technical surveillance and reporting equipment; \$65,000 for civilian personnel/Intel analyst; and \$12,500 for consumable supplies.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: COPS-Law Enforcement Technology
 Requesting Entity: St. Francois County, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: 102 Industrial Drive, Park Hills, MO 63601

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for the Southeast Missouri Law Enforcement District for \$697,000 project for the following counties of the 8th Congressional District to acquire and greatly benefit from availability of a Law Enforcement Visual Tool: Iron, Washington, and Bollinger. Federal, state, and local agencies will have a common tool to jointly manage emergencies. The project enhances public safety, officer safety, by placing sophisticated geospatial intelligence information in the hands of emergency responders. The funding would be used as follows: \$12,000 for

project administration, \$675,000 for image libraries, and \$10,000 for equipment.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: HRSA
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozarks Medical Center

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 1100, West Plains, MO 65775

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for equipment in a new and expanded Emergency Department.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: HRSA

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: One University Plaza, MS 1900, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$205,000 for the Southeast Health on Wheels (SHOW) Mobile Program. The SHOW Mobile initiative is a health literacy, health promotional and disease prevention and primary health and dental care program designed to serve Southeast Missouri. The program is administered by the College of Health and Human Services of Southeast Missouri State University.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: Higher Education FIPSE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: One University Plaza, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to expand the services of Kent Library into a modern Information Commons concept and to link the same technical and support services that this renovation will provide to the students, faculty, and staff on the main campus, to the students and faculty on the River Campus, four regional campuses and the community within the University's service region.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Higher Education FIPSE
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Three Rivers Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 2080 Three Rivers Boulevard, Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$215,000 to upgrade the delivery and management of on-line learning system. This enhancement will make it possible to rapidly expand education/training programs, and the initiation of on-line degree programs.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288
 Account: HHS, Social Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 N. Washington St., Box 249, East Prairie, MO 63845

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for the Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center's Positive Alternative System Strategies to Work, or "Pass to Work," which will provide families with activities designed to emphasize good academic and healthy physical performance for at-risk children. In addition, this program will offer employment training, career counseling, and health behavior advice.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: HRSA

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65897

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for nursing and allied technology enhancements, specifically to create nursing clinical simulation laboratories at the West Plains campus to support their nursing and allied health programs.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON
 Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: SBA—Salaries and Expenses
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Missouri System, Columbia, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: University Hall, 1100 Carrie Francke Drive, Columbia MO, 65211

Description of Request: \$249,000 is provided for the University of Missouri's Extension Community Economic and Entrepreneurial Development (ExCEED) program. The funding will be used to promote economic development in the Mississippi River Hills Region and the Ozark Heritage Region. Over a three year period, funding will be utilized to expand the current part-time Executive Director position in the Mississippi River Hills Region to full-time, as well as establishing a part-time youth entrepreneurship coordinator and equipment in this rural area. Additionally, over three years this funding will allow their Ozark Heritage Region to expand the entrepreneurship education and business counseling.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: SBA—Salaries and Expenses
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Downtown West Plains, Inc., West Plains, MO

Address of Requesting Entity: 401 Jefferson Ave., West Plains, MO 65775

Description of Request: \$500,000 is provided for Downtown West Plains, Inc., a 501(c)(3) corporation, to complete the exterior and interior renovation of a 100-year-old building which will house a Small Business Incubator. These funds will be matched with \$1,144,000 in local, state, and other federal funds. The Ozarks Small Business Incubator, when completed, will provide personalized assistance to small business entrepreneurs by supporting their efforts with business related education, financial guidance, business plan development, mentoring, and access to tangible resources such as building space, shipping dock, and shared office equipment.

Requesting Member: JO ANN EMERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: SBA—Salaries and Expenses
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Girl Scouts of the USA, New York, NY

Address of Requesting Entity: 420 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10018

Description of Request: \$305,875 is provided to the Girl Scouts of the USA for a national program to improve financial literacy. Federal funds would help launch the first phase of the Improving Girls' Financial Literacy project—a comprehensive, effective and universal financial literacy curriculum for delivery to 2.6 million Girl Scouts of all ages, and corresponding materials for their 900,000 adult volunteers. Funds would support planning; research to ensure that the program is age-appropriate, effective and evidence based; development and creation of materials for the six

levels of Girl Scouting; corresponding facilitator guides to help the volunteers and other activities to ensure that this program is successful.

THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS HAS NO RESET BUTTON

HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights exactly 61 years ago. This document was born on the ashes of a global war which saw the murder of over six million Jewish people during the Holocaust and the deaths of over 60 million people around the world.

Just when it seemed that humanity was irrevocably lost in the global devastation of this conflict, some of the greatest leaders of their time, such as Eleanor Roosevelt, came together at the United Nations to enshrine a common human bond of individual dreams and aspirations protected by defined rights in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. While formally a resolution, not a treaty, its provisions are part of every legally binding international instrument which sets out to protect human rights.

Today, 61 years after its adoption, the catalog of defined rights has withstood the test of time, but the full implementation of those rights is as elusive as ever. The language and the context in which we discuss these rights today may have changed, but the urgency and importance to protect them globally has not. Terms such as internet freedom, global war on terror, environmental devastation, water-boarding, Guantanamo, corporate social responsibility, food security, women's rights and the Responsibility to Protect are just a few of those modern terms which put in sharp focus the relevance of those rights set forth in this document 61 years ago.

During that period, the United States was a leader among nations in defining and defending those rights and spearheaded international consensus and agreements. More recently, however, we seem to have either forgotten the hard-won lessons of that period or at least have misapplied them.

Instead of holding on tighter to our beliefs and commitments after the 9/11 attacks, we were willing to consider these sacred values impediments to our national sovereignty and infringements on our right to defend our country. Instead of heeding the admonition of one of the greatest American Presidents—another Roosevelt—who led this nation through the Great Depression and defeated the most evil regime in human history, that “the only thing we have to fear is fear itself,” we abandoned our human rights commitments at home. Faced with an unknown and secretive enemy, fear drove us to suspend important legal protections, to re-define the meaning of torture, to engage in extraordinary renditions of individuals utilizing poor human rights records of other countries, and we created with Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo monuments to that failed policy that still serve as recruiting tools for extremists all over the world. All the while

we harshly criticized friends and foes alike if they disagreed with us, and set on an international course of democracy promotion, which was of the “either you are with us, or you are against us” nature.

To regain our international standing and reputation, and in recognition of the fact that we can only defeat terrorism with the support of the relevant local populations, we have recently undertaken significant diplomatic efforts to repair our international relationships. We have announced the closure of Guantanamo, and have ruled out enhanced interrogation techniques, have passed hate crimes legislation at home and have joined the Human Rights Council. While important parts of these objectives have yet to be achieved, the American public and the international community have rightfully applauded these important and difficult initiatives.

But while we have made domestic human rights gains, we now stand to lose our human rights bearings abroad. With ambiguous statements and actions the United States has sent signals to repressive regimes that human rights may no longer feature prominently in our foreign relations and that there is the possibility of a “fresh start,” which can be triggered by a magical “reset button.” While I strongly support the direct engagement of repressive regimes around the globe, I am equally convinced that past human rights records cannot be “reset,” or glossed over. The Universal Declaration does not provide for a “reset button” for gross human rights violations, nor do any of the international human rights treaties. Repressive regimes will only seriously engage the United States and the international community on important human rights issues if we take a principled stand, both in public and in private, which is based on accountability. We owe justice to human rights victims, be that in Sudan, Burma, China, North Korea, Russia or anywhere else in the world.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, on December 9, 2009, I was unavoidably detained and was unable to record my vote for rollcall No. 945 and rollcall No. 946. Had I been present I would have voted:

Rollcall No. 945: “yes”—Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4173) to provide for financial regulatory reform, to protect consumers and investors, to enhance Federal understanding of insurance issues, to regulate the over-the-counter derivatives, markets, and for other purposes

Rollcall No. 946: “yes”—To eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by bringing the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, and meet the original congressional intent of preserving Orange County's rocks and small islands, and for other purposes

INTRODUCING THE COMMON SENSE TAX RELIEF ACT OF 2009

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer legislation to address the needs of Americans across the country who have been unnecessarily burdened by taxes, entitled “The Common Sense Tax Relief Act of 2009.”

As you all are well aware, Americans are extremely concerned with the current state of the economy and they are looking to their government to foster an economic environment that promotes growth.

At a time when Congress is considering health care and energy bills that will significantly raise taxes on all Americans, we must be cognizant of the fact that overall tax bills keep rising.

Over the past year, unprecedented spending on government programs through the so-called “stimulus bill” and the bloated Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2009 has produced, at best, modest signs of recovery.

Americans have felt a great deal of uncertainty as their jobs remain in jeopardy and they are unsure as to what additional financial burden will be levied upon them by the federal government.

I represent a state that currently has the highest tax burden in the nation, and to add insult to injury, New Jersey receives the least amount of federal dollars back from Washington per taxpayer.

Every weekend that I am back in my district, I hear from constituents who have had enough with being taxed by a government that has made no effort to follow these constituents lead in getting their financial houses in order.

For this reason, I have offered the Common Sense Tax Relief Act of 2009. This legislation seeks to make permanent several widely supported tax credits that will directly benefit families and small businesses seeking relief, clarity and certainly in their financial planning.

To assist families, this bill will make permanent the child tax credit and the marriage penalty relief tax credit. To assist in the advancement of education, this bill will make permanent the teacher tax deduction, and the tuition deduction. And to assist small business and families seeking to plan their financial futures, the bill makes permanent the current capital gains and dividends tax rates and eliminates the “death tax.”

Madam Speaker, I urge the immediate consideration of this important legislation that will help propel our economy forward and provide significant relief to all of our constituents.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GREGG HARPER

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mr. HARPER. 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. 3288—Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010.