

the materials which will be used to construct it, in a catapult-like environment. This funding will continue the program from FY08 to develop design-specific corrosion data under simulated catapult conditions which needs to be continued in order to permit further design refinement, that will: (1) prevent premature component failures (2) minimize costly fleet maintenance and (3) enhance operational readiness.

Requesting Member: Congressman FRANK LOBIONDO.

Bill Number: H.R. 2638.

Account: FEMA State and Local Programs.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Atlantic County, New Jersey.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1333 Atlantic Avenue, Atlantic City, NJ 08401.

Description of Request: Provide \$750,000 for Atlantic County, New Jersey's Consolidated Emergency Operation Center. The county will use the funding in combination with state, county, and local funding to consolidate the county's disparate emergency management centers into a single existing building which will be able to withstand wind storm and other natural hazards.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. CLIFF STEARNS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. STEARNS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding district funding requests as part of H.R. 2638, Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance and Continuing Appropriations Act.

1. Florida Army National Guard, Regional Training Institute (RTI) Phase IV at Camp Blanding, FL (Department of Defense, Army National Guard).

This project is to complete construction of the RTI at the Camp Blanding Training Site, FL. The readiness of the Florida Army National Guard and Air National Guard in general will be affected if the school cannot adequately accomplish its mission to train soldiers. The student quota continues to grow with the need for new training requirements. The new campus will serve the full-time mission of the RTI. The completion of the new campus will allow the school to accept all projected students and to provide the support needed to run the regional school. The new campus will provide the school with the area required to adequately perform its essential mission. It will house, feed, teach, and train all students attending the institute; students are from all fifty states and territories. The school averages 800 students per cycle.

2. Research Support for Nanoscale Research Facility at the University of Florida (RDTE, Navy).

The State of Florida, at the University of Florida, has completed the \$30M Nanoscale Research Facility to serve as a nexus of interdisciplinary research in nanoscience and technology development. This research facility will provide a scientific forum for research efforts among the Colleges of Engineering, Medicine,

Liberal Arts and Sciences, Veterinary Medicine, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, and the Particle Engineering Research Center.

3. Weapons Skills Trainer (OM, Army National Guard).

The Florida National Guard has been deeply involved in the Global War on terrorism. More than 8,000 of the 12,000 soldiers and airman in Florida have served on active duty since September 11th and the commitment will continue. Under new mobilization guidelines, soldiers and airman must be fully trained on individual weapons tasks before reporting to their mobilization stations. The Weapons Skills Trainer is a proven system that will increase readiness and substantially reduce training costs.

4. Accelerating Treatment for Trauma Wounds (RDTE, Army).

The Army's Medical Advanced Technology program supports applied research to develop materiel that improves survivability and assures better medical treatment outcomes for warfighters wounded in combat and military operations other than war. One area of emphasis is on the development of novel treatments to minimize tissue damage and accelerate restoration of function. The project goal is to evaluate doxycycline gel for its ability to accelerate healing of open wounds among injured U.S. Army soldiers at Walter Reed Army Medical Center when used in conjunction with other good-wound care practices.

5. Marion County Emergency Operations Center (FEMA, Department of Homeland Security).

Marion County needs to upgrade its current EOC facilities by adding approximately 27,000 sq. feet to the existing building. This will include a new 911 Dispatch Center and supporting office and technology space for the Sheriffs Office, EMS, County Fire Department, and City of Ocala Fire Department. The upgrade also includes a new room for the Marion County Emergency Operations Center along with office and technology space.

HONORING LYNNE AND PHIL HIMELSTEIN

HON. DAN BURTON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to two exceptional people, who I am proud to call Hoosiers. Lynne and Phil Himelstein will be recognized for their years of dedicated service to both the people of Indiana and to the State of Israel at the annual Indiana-Israel Dinner on October 19, 2008—sponsored by the State of Israel Bonds/Development Corporation—which this year commemorates the 60th Anniversary of Israel's statehood.

Since 1951, the State of Israel Bonds Development Corporation has issued securities in the name of the government of Israel for the development of every aspect of Israel's economy. This has included Israel's roads, public transportation, power plants, agricultural expansion, water desalinization, and industrial growth. State of Israel Bonds Corp. has secured more than \$28 billion in investment of

capital, and maintained a perfect record on the payment of interest and principal on the securities it has issued over the years. From a small, fledging idea, the organization has grown into a powerful legacy of achievement. In fact it's probably fair to say that the State of Israel Bonds Corp. is the financial rock upon which the modern State of Israel is built.

This same kind of entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to community drives this year's honorees, Lynne and Phil Himelstein, who have individually and collectively made a huge impact in their community, both for Jewish and secular causes. Their efforts will leave a lasting legacy that will benefit both Indianapolis and Israel.

Lynne Himelstein was born in Beverly Hills, California, and decided to move her family back to her husband's home state of Indiana for a more Midwest value-oriented life. Immediately, Lynne became extremely active in the Indianapolis Jewish Community. After seven years of working as a Jewish day school teacher, Lynne was able to become a strong voice and leader to many of the communities' organizations. Since then, Lynne has served a term as President of AIPAC for Central Indiana, and is currently co-chair of Endowments for National Women's Philanthropy of the United States Jewish Community. Lynne has also served on the board of the Jewish Community Relations Council, the National Council of Jewish Women, the Jewish Community Center, and the Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis (JFGI). During her term with the JFGI, Lynne spearheaded the raising of millions of dollars as the campaign chair in both 2003 and 2004. Lynne also created an academic scholarship in her name that is awarded annually to one deserving Jewish individual.

Lynne's husband, Phil, is a Hoosier by birth. When Phil returned to Indiana in 1992 with Lynne—after seventeen years working for a prosperous law firm in Los Angeles—he became manager of Magic Menu Foods, a company that produced nutritional food products for the health care industry. Currently, Phil runs Hilan Capital, a private equity partnership that he co-founded in 1998. Phil is also the director of the Sage Group, an investment bank in Los Angeles; and a director of Brainscope Company, Inc., a neurodiagnostics company based in St. Louis and New York City.

Phil is as equally hard working outside of the boardroom; he currently serves as chairman of the Indiana Hemophilia and Thrombosis Center; one of the largest treatment centers in the country serving individuals with bleeding disorders. Phil is also a founder and trustee of University High School of Indiana, a diverse college preparatory school in Indianapolis with a college placement rate of 100 percent.

Madam Speaker, individually and together, the Himelstein's contributions to the United States, to the people of Indiana, Indiana's Jewish Community, and to the State of Israel represent the highest tradition of selfless public service, civic stewardship and commitment to others. Their praiseworthy efforts will be recognized at the Indiana-Israel Dinner of State on October 19th but I ask my colleagues to join me now to commend and congratulate Lynne and Phil for their outstanding achievements, and their lives of service.