

Requesting Member: Representative JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations Bill

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.

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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 multijurisdictional drug enforcement task force, and an existing HIDTA initiative within Midwest HIDTA, comprised of federal, state, and local law enforcement officers including nine Sheriffs 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.

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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: Representative JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Homeland Security Appropriations Bill

Account: State and Local Programs

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Howell County Emergency Preparedness

Address of Requesting Entity: 3 Courthouse, West Plains, Missouri 65775

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for \$250,000 for an Emergency Operations Center in West Plains, Missouri. The Emergency Operations Center will serve the residents of Howell County and surrounding counties in the region in case of any natural or man-made hazards. The funding is budgeted at approximately \$7,275 for administrative and legal expenses; \$81,000 for land, structures, right-of-ways, appraisals, etc.; \$2,925 for project inspection and architectural and engineering fees; \$153,175 for equipment, construction and miscellaneous items; \$5,625 for contingencies.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. KURT SCHRADER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 9, 2009*

Mr. SCHRADER. Madam Speaker, on June 8, 2009 I missed rollcall votes 311, 312, and 313 due to personal reasons. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on all three votes.

#### A TRIBUTE IN REMEMBRANCE OF DENNIS J. TAYLOR

### HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 9, 2009*

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dennis J. Taylor, a community activist and ordained minister who has impacted Brooklyn in countless ways.

Dennis Taylor has been living and serving the East New York and Brownsville communities for more than twenty years. He began his career as a volunteer, ministering and advocating for the rights of community residents. For a number of years, Mr. Taylor served as a community organizer for a local nonprofit organization where he assisted residents by empowering them through the creation of tenant and block associations. As a member of Community Board #5, Dennis Taylor leads the council in creating positive change for all residents, regardless of their ethnicity or culture.

As the founder and executive director of The Sabaoth Group, Inc., Dennis Taylor conceived and developed strategies that provide community support services to more than 800 families in the East New York, Brownsville, Bushwick and Bedford-Stuyvesant communities. He is the primary coordinator of services and initiatives, in addition to securing funding through foundations, government grants and Requests for Proposals. Mr. Taylor developed strategies to create linkages between community law enforcement, community residents and faith-based organizations. He also created initiatives and developed strategies for resident advocacy, tenant organizing and community activism while conducting tenant relocations for more than 300 families. Mr. Taylor is also a founding partner in TDT De-

velopment, LLC, a community housing development organization.

Mr. Taylor began his involvement in tenant services by leading the residents of a dangerously neglected city-owned property through a process of renewed commitment from the City of New York and their subsequent resettlement. He has a reputation for producing consistent results and maintaining honor and integrity in the community. Mr. Taylor sits on various steering and advisory committees in East New York.

In 2006, Dennis Taylor became an ordained Minister who has garnered a sterling reputation in the East New York community.

Dennis Taylor is married to Anita Joyner-Taylor. He has two daughters (Danesha and Keyeira), and two granddaughters (Faith and Patience). Mr. Taylor holds an A.A.S. in Computer Technology, a Certificate from Fordham University in Social Work and numerous certificates from the Department of Housing Preservation and Development. Mr. Taylor is a first call advisor to many grassroots organizations seeking guidance, direction and/or logistical assistance in the acquisition of their goals and objectives.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dennis J. Taylor.

KELSEY MAY

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 9, 2009*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Kelsey May who has received the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. Kelsey May is a senior at Arvada High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Kelsey May is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential that students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic that will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations once again to Kelsey May for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication she has shown in her academic career to her future accomplishments.

TRIBUTE TO DAVID J. KEARS

### HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 9, 2009*

Mr. STARK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay to tribute to David J. Kears, Agency Director for the Alameda County Healthcare Services Agency. Mr. Kears is retiring from his position and a farewell party has been planned in his honor on June 10, 2009.

Mr. Kears' scholastic endeavors brought him to the University of California, Berkeley, where he graduated in 1968 with a major in Sociology. He continued his graduate work at