

Space Network Working Group and was appointed by the Secretary of the Interior to serve on the National Satellite Land Remote Sensing Data Active Advisory. He has had over 70 published articles and is the author of two books and the editor of two more.

On a personal level, I have been privileged to enjoy George and his wonderful wife, Delores, as friends. For someone of his distinguished scientific and academic achievements, I have also found George and Delores to be warm hearted, caring, down to earth individuals who shared an extraordinary commitment to make things better. At an earlier point in his career, George almost won a seat in Congress. When that avenue to effect change was not available, he redoubled his efforts in his own work leaving a legacy of accomplishment that is truly incredible.

His impact will be felt by generations to come, by the students he taught, the people that he worked with, and all those who have had the time to get to know him. I wish George and Delores, all their family, the very best and offer my hope for continued success and happiness in the coming years.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOHN H. ADLER

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. ADLER of New Jersey. Madam Speaker, on Friday, June 12th, I was unable to vote on rollcall vote 335 because I was welcoming the New Jersey National Guard home from Iraq.

The pending matter was H.R. 1256, the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act, which grants the FDA authority over the advertising and marketing of tobacco products.

This legislation is important to my constituents in New Jersey's Third Congressional District because tobacco is the number one cause of preventable death in America.

Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner.

Roll call vote 335 (Motion to Concur in the Senate Amendment to H.R. 1256) I would have voted "yes."

HONORING ARCHBISHOP ROBERT J. CARLSON, ARCHBISHOP OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT LOUIS

HON. W. TODD AKIN

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. AKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to welcome Archbishop Robert J. Carlson who was installed as Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis.

A native of Minneapolis, Minnesota, Archbishop Robert J. Carlson began his seminary education in 1962 at Saint Paul Seminary in Saint Paul, Minnesota, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy in 1966 and successfully

completed his studies earning a Masters of Divinity degree in 1976.

Archbishop Carlson was ordained to the priesthood on May 23, 1970 and served the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis for several years until 1977 when he began graduate studies at the Catholic University of America, where he earned a Licentiate in Canon Law.

Thirteen years after his ordination to the priesthood Archbishop Carlson was named Auxiliary Bishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis by His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, choosing for his episcopal motto: ANTE CRUCEM NIHIL DEFENSIONIS ("Before the Cross There Is No Defense"). Archbishop Carlson was later named Coadjutor of the Diocese of Sioux Falls in 1994 and succeeded Bishop Paul V. Dudley as the 7th Bishop of Sioux Falls in 1995. Less than ten years later he was named Bishop of Saginaw by His Holiness, Pope John Paul II in December 2004 and was installed as its 5th Bishop in February 2005 by Archbishop Gabriel Montalvo, Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America.

Archbishop Robert J. Carlson was appointed Archbishop of St. Louis by His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI, on April 21, 2009. He is the 9th Archbishop and the 10th Bishop of St. Louis since its establishment as a diocese in 1826.

The St. Louis Archdiocese comprises more than one-half million Catholics, who worship at its 198 churches and chapels. More than 48,700 children attend the 152 Catholic schools in the Archdiocese.

I ask that my colleagues join me today in welcoming Archbishop Carlson and congratulating him on his new appointment.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on congressionally-directed funding, I am submitting the following information regarding funding included in H.R. 2487, the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs—Byrne Discretionary Grants
Legal Name of Recipient: Operation UNITE
Address of Recipient: 2292 South Highway 27, Somerset, KY 42501

Description of Request: Provide \$4,450,000 in directed funding to Operation UNITE, a comprehensive program to combat the scourge of drug abuse in southern and eastern Kentucky by coordinating federal, state and local efforts in law enforcement, treatment and education. Operation UNITE has arrested 3,028 drug dealers and removed over \$8.64 million worth of drugs off the street, including 86,068 prescription pills, 450 pounds of marijuana, 11.7 pounds of meth and 23 pounds of

cocaine. Over 2,050 non-violent offenders have participated in UNITE-funded drug courts, and more than 1,430 individuals grappling with addiction have received vouchers for treatment. Funding in FY10 will be used to continue vital enforcement activities, effective treatment programs partnered with local governments, community organizations and faith-based groups, as well as expand an intensive education program to warn school children of the dangers of drug abuse.

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: NOAA—Operations, Research and Facilities

Legal Name of Recipient: Eastern Kentucky PRIDE, Inc.

Address of Recipient: 2292 South Highway 27, Somerset, KY 42501

Description of Request: Provide \$1,000,000 in directed funding for Eastern Kentucky PRIDE, Inc., the first initiative specifically created to solve severe environmental degradation problems in southern and eastern Kentucky. PRIDE, a non-profit organization, unites citizens with the resources of federal, state and local governments in order to improve water quality in the region, clean up illegal trash dumps and other solid waste, and promote environmental awareness and education to break the cycle of pollution. To date, PRIDE has recruited more than 287,720 volunteers, provided 28,089 homes with access to sanitary wastewater treatment, and cleaned up 588,161 bags and an additional 135,884 tons of trash. Funding in FY10 will be used to continue these vital environmental and educational initiatives in Appalachian Kentucky.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the U.S. House of Representatives Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding an earmark I received as part of H.R. 2487, the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

(1) Denton Regional Public Safety Training Facility, Denton, TX—\$1,000,000—Byrne Discretionary/COPS Technology—Congressman MICHAEL C. BURGESS

The purpose of this project is to provide the new Denton Public Safety Training Facility with equipment and technology. The requested funding will help equip the facility, including fire simulation equipment, computerized firearm targeting systems, classroom-based virtual reality simulation equipment and administrative/classroom multimedia equipment. The total project cost is \$19,260,000—\$4,452,000 federal and \$14,808,000 City of Denton. The City of Denton has paid \$2.03 million for the 88-acre site of the facility, \$205,000 on the master plan for the facility and the City Council has approved \$12,600,000 to construct the facility.

City of Denton is located at 215 East McKinney, Denton, TX 76201