

(MDT) for the Fleming County Sheriff's Office. MDTs will allow the department to connect to the Kentucky State Police LINK/NCIC system directly from the police vehicle. MDTs also increase both officer and public safety by empowering law enforcement with critical information prior to exiting their vehicle. MDTs will quickly let the officers know if a vehicle is stolen, the person driving is wanted, and if the person is licensed to carry a concealed weapon. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the safety of sworn officers responsible for protecting the community.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Account: COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Henry County Sheriff's Office

Address of Requesting Entity: 50 North Main St, New Castle, Kentucky 40050

Description of Request: Appropriate \$82,000 for the purchase of law enforcement equipment for the Henry County Sheriff's Office, as well as the City of Eminence Police Department and the City of Campbellsburg Police Department. Equipment will include five (5) MDTs, 1 TASER, 3 ATN-NVM 14-3 Night Vision Minocular, 3 Aimpoint Comp M4, among other items. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the safety of sworn officers responsible for protecting the community.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Account: COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oldham County Police Department

Address of Requesting Entity: 1855 North Highway 393, La Grange, KY 40031

Description of Request: Appropriate \$57,000 to purchase six (6) Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs). The County currently has some MDTs and the use of these systems has provided a rapid and reliable means of obtaining information in today's criminal justice arena. For example, use of MDTs allows the officers to immediately determine wants or warrants on individuals and reduces down time by allowing them to enter reports and stolen property information immediately while still on duty. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the safety of sworn officers responsible for protecting the community.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Account: OJP—Byrne Discretionary Grants  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oldham County Sheriff's Office

Address of Requesting Entity: 1855 North Highway 393, La Grange, Kentucky 40031

Description of Request: Appropriate \$75,000 to acquire upgraded equipment appropriate to assist the Sheriff's Department in responding to a variety of law enforcement situations within the community. Equipment purchases will include dual antenna radar units, handheld radar units, mobile data terminals, portable breath testing units, Taser brand units, community service kid care identification machine, and Magna PD6500 brand security scanners, among other items. The Oldham County Sheriff's Office provides emergency response to

the residents of Oldham County and surrounding Counties as requested. In addition, the Sheriff's office is responsible for courtroom security, prisoner transport throughout Kentucky, and protection of government employees, officials and government property. Federal funds will be used to purchase equipment that will increase the interoperability, improve the safety of sworn offices and the department's ability to respond to the needs of Oldham County. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the safety of sworn officers responsible for protecting the community.

Requesting Member: Congressman GEOFF DAVIS

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Account: COPS Law Enforcement Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Pendleton County Sheriff

Address of Requesting Entity: 202 Chapel St, Falmouth, Kentucky 41040

Description of Request: Appropriate \$12,000 for the purchase of twelve (12) X26 TASERS (Electronic Control Devices) for county law enforcement officials and related training in equipment usage. Pendleton County does not have a detention center, so the Sheriff's Office and Jailer's office both transport prisoners fifty miles to and from Boone County Detention Center for court hearings and trials. TASERS would give the officials an additional tool on a non-lethal scale to control an unruly person. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will improve the safety of sworn officers responsible for protecting the community.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on project funding, I am submitting the following information regarding project funding I requested as part of Fiscal Year 2009 Defense Appropriations bill that was included in H.R. 2638:

Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON  
Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill  
Account: COPS—METH

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Illinois State University

Address of Requesting Entity: Campus Box 4040, Hovey 310, Normal, IL 61790-4040

Description of Request: \$200,000 to expand an innovative new program addressing the epidemic of methamphetamine use through treatment of arrested juveniles from rural populations. It is my understanding that this funding will be used as follows: \$40,000 for psychiatric services; \$30,000 for post discharge treatment; \$35,000 for treatment Supplies; \$20,000 for evaluation research consultants; \$50,000 for salaries; and \$25,000 for travel.

Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON  
Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations bill  
Account: NOAA—ORF

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Illinois State Geological Survey

Address of Requesting Entity: 615 E. Peabody Drive, Champaign, IL 61820

Description of Request: \$800,000 for the Illinois State Geological Survey to continue their Height Modernization project. The project would update the benchmarks in the state (approximately half can no longer be located), unify the database of benchmarks, and provide a digital elevation (LiDAR) model for the state. It is my understanding that the funding will be used as follows: \$68,000 for salaries; \$13,723 for travel; \$8,000 for computer hardware and services; \$210,000 for level lines and benchmarks in northern Illinois; \$50,000 for Continuously Operating Reference (CORS) station; \$180,000 for LiDAR data collection; \$2,000 for outreach forums; \$359 for commodities; \$400 for telecommunications; \$134,718 for facilities and administration at the University of Illinois; and \$132,800 for NOAA/NGS overhead.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JOHN B. LARSON

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Madam Speaker, on June 16, 2009, I missed roll call vote 350 due to illness. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

#### PAUL HARRELL

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today to recognize the North Kansas City School District's Chief Financial Officer, Paul Harrell, on the occasion of being named the 2009 School Business Official of the Year by the Missouri Association of School Business Officials.

Paul Harrell came to the North Kansas City School District in 2000 as the top accountant and budget manager. During that time, Harrell modernized the district's business operations by implementing the use of new technologies, sound fiscal management, and building community partnerships. He also moved the school district to a paperless time sheet system that saved the district countless accounting hours. Due to Paul's conservative financial management, the school district has earned top marks from auditors over the past several years.

In addition to revitalizing the school district, Paul has also helped the community. He assisted in building a partnership with the city of Gladstone that produced a new natatorium next to the Gladstone Community Center.

Last year, Paul was awarded the 2008 Outstanding Director by the North Kansas City Business Council, which he also won in 2002. Each year there is a \$1,000 scholarship given to a student in the school district under Harrell's name as part of this award.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join with me in commending Paul Harrell for his dedicated service to the North Kansas City School District. Paul's dedication and commitment to his work are shining examples of the kind of work ethic we should all strive for. I

know Paul's colleagues, family, and friends join me in thanking him for his commitment to others and wishing him congratulations on his award and wishing him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding the earmark I received as part of H.R. 2892, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010.

Project Name/Amount: City of Hampton Virginia Operational Integration Cyber Center of Excellence (VOICCE), \$500,000

Requested by: ROBERT J. WITTMAN (VA-01)

Intended Recipient of Funds/Grantee: City of Hampton, 22 Lincoln Street, 8th Floor, Hampton, VA 23669

Project description and explanation of the request: Funds would be used by the City of Hampton to develop Virginia's Operational Integration Cyber Center of Excellence (VOICCE). This laboratory would allow local governments and first responders to plug into state and federal entities and participate in simulated cyber attacks would help identify the processes, procedures, capabilities and gaps in protection. This program will incorporate cyber attack prevention into the mainstream of emergency operations at the local level and creating a virtual municipality of randomly generated internet protocol addresses. The concept would allow cyber security capabilities, processes and procedures to be developed.

The City of Hampton is located in the crossroads of Hampton Roads, home to major military installations such as Oceana Naval Air Station, Langley AFB, NASA Langley Research Center, Joint Forces Command, Naval Station Norfolk, etc. The localities play a large role in ensuring the safety and security of these assets as well as the many military and civilian personnel in the area. Through modeling and simulation at the City's emergency operations center, localities can gain experience in deterring and preventing cyber attack and other potential attacks on the area's installations, transportation infrastructure and information networks.

Funding will be used for: Initial cyberspace data collection/study phase: \$225,230; Initial definitions of cyberspace experimental processes, procedures and responses: \$97,256; Development of cyberspace municipal event scenarios: \$54,967; Architectural design, development and integration with IT department: \$34,246; Initial execution and assessment of VOICCE construct / scenarios: \$36,804, and; Initial staff review and input meetings: \$2,608; Final VOICCE Report Development & Associated materials for printing, CD-ROMS: \$48,889.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. C. W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican Standards on Congressional appropriations initiatives, I am submitting the following information regarding a project that was included at my request in H.R. 2892, the Fiscal Year 2010 Department of Homeland Security appropriations bill:

#### MARITIME DOMAIN AWARENESS

Account: Homeland Security, Science and Technology, Borders and Maritime

Legal name and address of requesting entity: SRI International, 830 First Street South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701.

Description of request: \$4,000,000 is included in the bill for SRI International to continue its work to develop a replicable port security system that will be functional in diverse environments which include coastal maritime, seaport, island, extreme, and remote locations. This project will include the development of pilot test beds for use in a shallow and deep water setting. The Department of Homeland Security's Science and Technology Directorate has identified a need to establish national maritime security technology test bed capability. Current test bed operations are conducted at a number of diverse facilities that are neither centrally coordinated nor operated under uniform standards. With over 95,000 miles of coastline to protect, ensuring our nation's maritime security is challenging and requires complex technology and knowledgeable oversight. The absence of both a recognized test bed capability and effective operations organization impacts DHS's ability to: (1) consistently validate security system performance; (2) accurately compare and evaluate the effectiveness of competing systems and related technologies; (3) minimize biases and variables in tests and evaluations, i.e. create and apply uniform standards; (4) provide recognized certifying authority; and (5) advance new technologies to better protect our homeland. Ultimately, our nation's security is compromised without this crucial capability. This initiative establishes an independent, objective, entity to test and certify technologies for application in deep water, port, and coastal environments. The proposed program additionally serves to focus agency resource management by: (1) synergizing and minimizing duplicative efforts; (2) aligning disparate testing operations; and (3) engaging all maritime security stakeholders—local through federal as well as commercial through military. SRI International and the University of Hawaii have teamed to address the nation's critical port security needs. This partnership will create trust-earned oversight and will leverage previous federal infrastructure investment to provide the most effective test bed capability at the lowest achievable cost. The partnership also provides institutional ties to both the Department of Defense and Department of Health and Human Services, thus bridging their efforts and providing for uniform, cost-effective maritime security solutions.

#### DR. TOM CUMMINGS

### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, June 17, 2009*

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, it is with great honor that I rise today to recognize the outstanding service and leadership of Dr. Tom Cummings on the occasion of his retirement after 24 years of service to the North Kansas City School District, including 14 years as the superintendent.

Dr. Cummings has dedicated the majority of his life to assisting and educating children. After receiving his undergraduate degree from Franklin College in Indiana and his Master of Science and Doctor of Education degrees from Indiana University, Dr. Cummings has committed almost half a century to education. From coaching basketball to becoming the district superintendent in 1995, Dr. Cummings has continually worked to improve the lives of his students. During his 49 years as an educator, Dr. Cummings also always strived to serve his community. He was president of the Greater Kansas City School Administrators Association, served on the board of the directors for the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce and served on the Education Commissioner's Advisory Committee.

During his time as superintendent of the North Kansas City School District, Dr. Cummings changed the way the school district approached both education and the surrounding community. Dr. Cummings built a core foundation of transparency, community partnerships, technology, and impressive physical facilities. Due to these efforts, the school district began to receive money again from the community to pay for bonds. This was revolutionary for the school district, as every single request for school bonds in the 17 years prior to Dr. Cummings was turned down. Dr. Cummings commissioned a panel of community, government and business leaders that shaped the district's new mission—to provide an elite educational experience that produced enlightened citizens adaptable to change and involved in their communities.

Dr. Cummings will leave many legacies at North Kansas City Schools. He created a professional and leadership development program, new career and technical education options for students, organizational efficiency, an award-winning money management team, standardized curriculum and differentiated instruction.

Dr. Cummings has also been awarded numerous times throughout his tenure as superintendent. He was honored by YouthFriends as their first recipient of the School-Based Mentoring Achievement and Advancement Award. In 2005, Dr. Cummings was named the Missouri Superintendent of the Year. The following year, he received the Look North award for being an Outstanding Northland Leader by the Clay County Economic Development Council. In 2008, he was recognized as an Outstanding Missourian by the Missouri House of Representatives, and most recently, the school district's administration building was renamed the Thomas P. Cummings Administrative Center.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join with me in commending Tom Cummings for his many years of dedicated service to the