

HONORING THE CREW OF THE
"GENERAL ARNOLD"

HON. BILL DELAHUNT

OF MASSACHUSETTS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. DELAHUNT. Madam Speaker, I rise today so that my colleagues in the House of Representatives can join me in recognizing the heroic crew of the *General Arnold*, a contingent of men who risked and ultimately gave their lives for our country's independence some 230 years ago.

During the course of the Revolutionary War, the American colonies relied on a small, organized navy as well as a vast number of privateers to defend themselves against the British. The privateers chartered vessels both large and small, were commissioned with letters of marque, and dispatched on the high seas. Indeed, it is unlikely that our nation could have achieved its independence without the noble efforts of these privateers, many of whom disrupted British shipping and wrought considerable damage upon the enemy's vessels during the war.

On Christmas Day, 1778, one of these privateer ships—the *General Arnold*, a brigantine with 20 cannons under the command of Captain James Magee—set sail with its own crew and a battalion of marines led by Captain John Russell. Battered by a frightening and terrible nor'easter, the ship was driven back toward Plymouth Harbor, where it ran aground on the White Flat, a sandbar approximately one half-mile from shore.

For three days, the crew remained trapped aboard the ill-fated vessel's quarter-deck, drenched by angry sea and freezing snow and lashed by savage winds. By the time help arrived on December 28, 72 of the 105 men had perished. Many of their bodies were frozen together, locked in an "embrace of death." Some of the survivors were permanently crippled, some forced to undergo amputation, and some died prematurely not long thereafter, making this incident one of the most tragic and gruesome losses of life experienced by either side during our nation's struggle for independence.

As we prepare to celebrate the birthday of our nation next week, it is important that we take a moment to acknowledge the brave men aboard the *General Arnold* who suffered and died for our freedom. Many of them, sadly, remain nameless. Yet we owe them a debt of gratitude for their valiant efforts to champion the cause of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. To the crew and to all those who served on the *General Arnold*, today we honor and give you thanks for your admirable sacrifice.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. GUTHRIE. 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. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman BRETT GUTHRIE

Bill Number: H.R. 2647
Account: RDT&E, Defensewide
Recipient: EWA, Inc. 2413 Nashville Road, Bowling Green, KY 42101

Description of Request: Provide \$2,000,000 to develop a tactical biometric identification system for the U.S. Special Operations Command. The system will allow intelligence officials to identify and track individuals of high suspicion remotely, without risking injury or loss of life. This project will allow for the development of a field-usable prototype, downsized for tactical mobility. It is a wise investment of taxpayer dollars to ensure, at a time when our nation's enemies attack through suicidal mass-casualty events, that the Special Operations Command be able to track and identify persons of high interest with high accuracy and from a safe distance.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN M. MCHUGH

OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2892—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN MCHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 2892
Account: Infrastructure Protection and Information Security

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Clarkson University

Address of Requesting Entity: 8 Clarkson Avenue, Potsdam, NY 13699

Description: Provide an earmark of \$100,000 to Clarkson University to establish and maintain a collaborative cyber security training center designed to strengthen the nation's ability to educate large numbers of highly qualified individuals in the fields of information assurance and cyber security. This initiative will also update cyber security training modules to anticipate and respond to new threats, improve warning capabilities, accelerate comprehensive responses to real time attacks, and develop next generation cyber security experts.

A TRIBUTE TO BRIG. GEN. JOSEPH ANDERSON

HON. BRETT GUTHRIE

OF KENTUCKY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. GUTHRIE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Brigadier General Joseph Anderson for his service to Fort Knox and our nation. Brig. Gen. Anderson has effectively served as the Deputy Commanding General of the United States Army Recruiting Command (USAREC) since May 27, 2008. Brig. Gen. Anderson will be leaving this post in July 2009.

Brig. Gen. Anderson provided outstanding leadership for USAREC that ensured it would

become a successful command for recruiting. He is a talented leader, skilled motivator, and inspiring mentor.

Brig. Gen. Anderson displayed exceptional training skills, innovative ideas, and outstanding performance. His commitment to ensuring the safety of USAREC soldiers, civilian employees, contractors, and family members was extraordinary.

Brig. Gen. Anderson's dedicated effort is an example for all Kentuckians to follow. I thank Brig. Gen. Anderson for his commitment to the people of Fort Knox, the men and women in the Army, and our nation.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JACK KINGSTON

OF GEORGIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. KINGSTON. 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. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 in Title XXVI, Section 2601 (a) in the Guard and Reserve Forces Facilities Section.

Request information: Representative JACK KINGSTON, H.R. 2647, Department of Defense, Army National Guard Account

Recipient information: Georgia Army National Guard, Hunter Army Aviation Facility, Savannah GA

Description: The Georgia Army National Guard received an earmark in the amount of \$8,967,000.

The current facility has exceeded its useful life with several irreparable leaks. The unit is devoting considerable time in overcoming these obstacles to meet its current requirements for training, planning and storage of weapons and information technology.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. TODD RUSSELL PLATTS

OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. PLATTS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I have received as part of H.R. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Paladin Integrated Management (PIM): This project would fund the completion of testing and evaluation of the PIM self-propelled howitzer and companion ammunition resupply vehicle. These vehicles are manufactured in part by the BAE Systems facility located in York, Pennsylvania. This is a good use of taxpayer funds because the changes to this vehicle will reduce the logistics footprint thereby reducing operational and support costs. (\$9 million above the President's Budget in the Research and Development Account)

BAE Systems, 3811 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22203.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. SPENCER BACHUS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. BACHUS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding that I requested as part of H.R. 2892—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 2892—Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: FEMA, Predisaster Mitigation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Emergency Management Agency

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Drawer 2160, Clanton, AL 35046

Description of Request: Provide \$200,000 for the construction of a Safe Room/Tornado and Severe Wind Shelter for the City of Graysville at the Graysville East Pavilion Park on 3rd Avenue N.E. The Shelter will accommodate approximately fifty people. This project directly supports efforts by the City of Graysville to reduce damages and the loss of life and property from natural disasters such as tornados and severe storms. This project's total budget is \$250,000. Specifically within the budget, \$50,000 will go toward engineering cost, \$75,000 toward site preparations, and \$125,000 toward construction cost. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the FEMA, Predisaster Mitigation account. The City of Graysville will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN M. McHUGH

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. MCHUGH. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2996—Interior and Environment Act of 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN MCHUGH

Bill Number: H.R. 2996

Account: Save America's Treasures

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Traditional Arts in Upstate New York

Address of Requesting Entity: 53 Main Street, Canton, NY 13617

Description: Provide an earmark of \$150,000 to the Traditional Arts in Upstate New York for the renovation of a building that houses the North Country Folk Life Center in Canton, NY. This National Register-listed building has the potential to become a destination point and serve as a vital economic driver in the region.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PETER T. KING

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. KING of New York. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for FY2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman PETER T. KING

Bill Number: H.R. 2647

Account: Aircraft Procurement, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation

Address of Requesting Entity: 1 Financial Plaza, Hartford, CT 06301

Description of Request: \$20,400,000 will be used to convert "A" model Black Hawk helicopters to the "L" configuration. This additional funding for UH-60L conversions will enable a more rapid standardization of the Black Hawk fleet and assure National Guard units are ready, deployable and available to protect our national interests abroad, and respond to emergencies here at home.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DEAN HELLER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. HELLER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 418, Article IV of impeaching Samuel B. Kent, I was unavoidably detained.

Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DAVID DREIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. DREIER. 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. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010:

Requesting Member: DAVID DREIER

Bill Number: H.R. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010

Account: Army, Research, Development, Test and Evaluation

Legal Name and Address of Entity Receiving Earmark: Chang Industry, located at 968 Palomares Avenue, La Verne, CA 91750

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$2,000,000 to develop Fire Shield, an Active Protection System (APS) with the guidance of the U.S. Army Tank Automotive Research, Development and Engineering Center in Warren, Michigan. Fire Shield would be used to protect armored vehicles from the blast effects and the plasma jet of rocket propelled grenades (RPG) by detecting and destroying incoming projectiles. Approximately

\$800,000 is for directional warhead blast and fragment effects characterization and optimization. \$600,000 will be used for static threat defeat characterization, test and evaluation with directional warhead. The remaining \$600,000 will be used for threat defeat test and evaluation on a controlled moving platform with directional warhead. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Army RDT&E account.

Requesting Member: DAVID DREIER

Bill Number: H.R. 2647, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010
Account: Air Force, Air National Guard, Operations and Maintenance

Legal Name and Address of Entity Receiving Earmark: Gentex Corporation, located at 11525 6th Street, Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$6,000,000 to complete the Air National Guard's fleet-wide implementation and standardization to the MBU-20A/P Oxygen Mask and Mask Light. Approximately, 34 percent (\$2,040,000) of the funding is for manufacturing; 4 percent (\$240,000) is for sustainment and systems engineering support; 6 percent (\$360,000) is for inspections and tests; 20 percent (\$1,200,000) is for general and administrative; 35 percent (\$2,100,000) is for material; 1 percent (\$60,000) is for packaging handling shipping and transportation. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Air National Guard.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 24, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican Conference standards regarding Member initiatives, I rise today to provide a description for how funds authorized in response to my requests submitted to the House Armed Services Committee will be allocated. In making those requests, I submitted a financial certification letter to Chairman SKELTON which accompanied my requests, and included the following information:

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge these requests (1) are not directed to any entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) are not intended to be used by any entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should any of the requests I have submitted be included in the bill, I will place a statement describing how the funds in each of the included requests will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

In order to fully comply with these standards, Madam Speaker, I hereby submit a description of how the funds authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 will be used for the projects to follow.

Requesting Member: Congressman MIKE ROGERS (Alabama)

Bill Number: H.R. 2647 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010