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CELEBRATING THE CITY OF
 ERBENDORF, GERMANY'S 900TH
 BIRTHDAY

HON. MICHAEL E. McMAHON

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. McMAHON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate and honor the city of Erbdorf in the Oberpfalz region in the State of Bavaria in Germany as it celebrates its 900th Birthday.

Nine hundred years ago, this village was first mentioned as "Herbdorf" in the Establishment and Protection letters of Pope Paschalis II as he wrote to the monastery Weissenhohe in Oberfranken. Although it appears that location is today what is known as Altstadt, it is clear that the city we know today has enjoyed an existence for more than 900 years. And since history does not stand still, we are sure that someday an even earlier mention of this city will be found.

In its more than 900 year history, the city of Erbdorf has certainly changed and developed. Through the middle ages and modern times it has been beset by war, hunger, pestilence, and siege. However, this has given the city its inner strength and it has now grown into a beloved city with a wonderful quality of life, enviable infrastructure, and a strong economy.

Certainly some of its most prominent citizens include Buergermeister Hans Donko, Axel Baron von Stromberg, and Hilde and Fritz Kohr, who recently celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary and continue to operate one of the city's most beloved businesses, Konditorei Kohr. In addition the city was the birthplace of two of its most favorite daughters, Maria Schrebs Trottmann, who emigrated to Neustadt/Waldnaab, and my mother Meta Baronin von Stromberg McMahon, who emigrated to the United States where she had seven children who to this day consider themselves part of the Erbdorf family. For many years, her brother Doctor Nils Baron von Stromberg and his wife Charlotte served the city as family doctors.

Madam Speaker, the city of Erbdorf has had a front row seat to the turbulent course of European history. For nearly a millennium, her citizens have borne witness to the countless events—from the epic to the mundane which unfolded to shape the Europe and the world of today. I am proud to be a son of the city of Erbdorf and offer my congratulations on its 900th anniversary.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. HAROLD ROGERS

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

Requesting Member: Congressman HAROLD ROGERS

Bill Number: H.R. 2647
 Account: MILCON, Army National Guard
 Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Kentucky Department of Military Affairs
 Address of Requesting Entity: Boone National Guard Center, 100 Minuteman Parkway, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Description of Request: Provide directed funding of \$1.805 million to complete construction of the Phase IV Aviation Operation Facility—London Joint Readiness Center located in Laurel County, Kentucky. The funding will be used for the construction of two additional (11,400 Sf) unheated aircraft storage buildings at the facility. The project is required to fully house the Joint Support Operations equipment and personnel in one facility located in the vicinity of operations. At the conclusion of this project, the unit will be able to respond quicker and in a much more efficient manner which will allow a greater return on investment funds spent on the operation.

TEMPLE TEACHER

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. CARTER. Madam Speaker, congratulations to Temple High School German teacher Nella Spurlin who was recently honored as Regional Teacher of the Year by the Southwest Conference on Language Teaching. The hard work and passion that she was committed to distinguished her from educators of the nine other states in the region.

On behalf of Texas District 31, I would like to wish Ms. Spurlin the best of luck when she competes against other regional winners for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Language National Teacher of the Year award in November.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. C.W. BILL YOUNG

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 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. 2647, The National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2010:

Consolidate Communications Facility
 Account: Military Construction, U.S. Air Force

Legal name and address of requesting entity: MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida.

Description of request: \$21,000,000 for a Consolidated Communication Facility (Project Number NVZR033702). MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida does not have an adequate Consolidated Communication Facility for the Joint Components of USSOCOM and USCENCOM forces. This Consolidated Communication Facility would provide for all communication circuits (both digital and analog) entering and exiting MacDill AFB. The Department of Defense Unified Facilities Criteria Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection guidance

requires that essential communication equipment be located in a secure environment. Base Network Control Center functions currently located in Bldg 260 will be relocated to the new secure facility.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. CAPUANO. Madam Speaker, on June 24, 2009, due to a medical situation involving a member of my immediate family, I had to return to my district and was unable to participate in rollcall votes 435 through 452. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner:

"yes" on rollcall 435; "yes" on rollcall 436; "no" on rollcall 437; "yes" on rollcall 438; "no" on rollcall 439; "no" on rollcall 440; "no" on rollcall 441; "yes" on rollcall 442; "no" on rollcall 443; "no" on rollcall 444; "no" on rollcall 445; "no" on rollcall 446; "no" on rollcall 447; "no" on rollcall 448; "no" on rollcall 449; "yes" on rollcall 450; "yes" on rollcall 451; "yes" on rollcall 452.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BRIAN P. BILBRAY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 25, 2009

Mr. BILBRAY. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

Bill Number: H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010
 Account: OPAF, Line 12

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: California National Guard

Address of Requesting Entity: 9800 Goethe Road, Box 42, Sacramento, CA 95826

Description of Request: I received an earmark of \$4 million to upgrade the Eagle Vision III system which is operated by the 147th Combat Communications Squadron, in San Diego, California. In October of 2007, San Diego suffered through one of the worst wild-fire disasters in California history. With thousands of homes lost and hundreds of thousands of lives changed, the California National Guard requested upgrades to Eagle Vision, the San Diego based system that has already proven itself as an asset for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, CAL Fires/OES, and the Army Strategic Command. The Eagle Vision III system directly and indirectly supported the 2008 Midwest Flooding, Hurricanes Fay, Gustav, and Ike and has participated in numerous military exercises. To augment the current system, this request seeks to provide resources for an increased imaging system that will provide higher resolution images, with more frequent access to images for first responders, while at the same time allowing for image data collection through clouds, haze and smoke. These capabilities are essential for the military and will be critical to the San Diego region for combating natural disasters such as wildfires, floods and hurricanes.