

positions in AFSCME Council 83, based in Duncansville, Pennsylvania. These positions include staff representative, member of the Council Executive Board, and member of the Council Steering Committee. In February of 2006, Mr. Sgro became the staff director of Council 83.

In addition to his service to AFSCME Council 83, Mr. Sgro also spent 20 years working for PennDOT as an equipment operator. He also served the Local 2121 as its president and is now a member of the Retired Public Employees of Pennsylvania (RPEP), Subchapter 8306. He also serves on the Board of the Pennsylvania Employee Benefit Trust Fund (PEBTF) and the Executive Board of the Central Pennsylvania Area Labor Federation, AFL-CIO (Central PA ALF). He is also an alternate vice president to the AFL-CIO.

Over the years Mr. Sgro has been supported by his wife Jaime and his two daughters Danielle and Michelle.

Madam Speaker, I close my remarks by congratulating Mr. Mickey Sgro for the 2009 Labor Award and for all of his accomplishments.

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#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mrs. EMERSON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Ozarks Medical Center

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 1100, West Plains, MO 65775

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for equipment in a new and expanded Emergency Department.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: One University Plaza, MS 1900: Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$205,000 for the Southeast Health on Wheels (SHOW) Mobile Program. The SHOW Mobile initiative is a health Literacy, health promotional and disease prevention and primary health and dental care program designed to serve Southeast Missouri. The program is administered by the College of Health and Human Services of Southeast Missouri State University.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: One University Plaza, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to expand the services of Kent Library into a modern Information Commons concept and to link the same technical and support services that this renovation will provide to the students, faculty, and staff on the main campus, to the students and faculty on the River Campus, four regional campuses and the community within the University's service region.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Three Rivers Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 2080 3 Rivers Boulevard, Popular Bluff, MO 63901

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$215,000 to upgrade the delivery and management of on-line learning system. This enhancement will make it possible to rapidly expand education/training programs, and the initiation of on-line degree programs.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center, Inc.

Address of Requesting Entity: 207 N. Washington St, Box 249, East Prairie, MO 63845

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for the Susanna Wesley Family Learning Center's Positive Alternative System Strategies to Work, or "Pass to Work," program will provide families with activities designed to emphasize good academic and healthy physical performance for at-risk children. In addition, this program will offer employment training, career counseling, and health behavior advice.

Requesting Member: Congresswoman JO ANN EMERSON

Bill: Fiscal Year 2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Bill.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Missouri State University

Address of Requesting Entity: 901 S. National, Springfield, MO 65897

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 for nursing and allied technology enhancements, specifically to create nursing clinical simulation laboratories at the West Plains campus to support their nursing and allied health programs.

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#### COMMEMORATING THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TURKISH OCCUPATION OF CYPRUS

### HON. SHELLEY BERKLEY

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Ms. BERKLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to commemorate once again the anniversary of Turkey's illegal invasion and occupation of Cyprus, beginning in 1974, lasting up to the

present time. The division of Cyprus has wreaked havoc on the island nation and left its Turkish-occupied section in disarray. It is cruel that the Cypriot people should continue to be subjected to this conflict.

Three summers ago, we were all pleased to see the two sides reach a major breakthrough in the troubled history of this divided island. After years of conflict, both sides committed themselves to the re-unification of Cyprus based on a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation and political equality. By agreeing to these principles, they recognized the status quo is unacceptable and that continuing it only hurts Turkish and Greek Cypriots.

It is my hope—and I believe my colleagues share in my feeling—that the two sides will soon be able to begin full-fledged negotiations, leading to a final status agreement and the removal of all Turkish troops from the island. Last Congress, this House expressed its support for these efforts by unanimously passing H. Res. 405, of which I was a proud cosponsor.

Madam Speaker, we urge the two parties to move forward in their discussions and, at the same time, we urge the international community to step back and allow the Cypriots—and the Cypriots alone—to make the decisions affecting their future. No one can force an agreement on them.

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#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. GLENN THOMPSON

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as a part of H.R.3293, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The entity to receive funding is the Mount Nittany Medical Center, 1800 East Park Avenue, State College, PA 16803, in the amount of \$150,000. Funding will be used to support the expansion of its East Wing.

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#### COMMEMORATING THE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRAGIC ATTACK ON THE ARGENTINE JEWISH MUTUAL ASSOCIATION

### HON. ANTHONY D. WEINER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 23, 2009*

Mr. WEINER. Madam Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the tragic events that took place at the Argentine Jewish Mutual Association (AMIA) in Buenos Aires. This tragic attack on a Jewish community center in Buenos Aires left 85 innocent people dead and 300 wounded in what remains the largest terrorist attack in Argentine history.

This bombing is a reminder of the very real and dangerous threat of anti-Semitism in the world. In an ongoing investigation, the Argentinean courts formally charged officials in the