

with Amethyst Research Inc. on this effort. The President of the United States has determined that certain components of this program are of the highest national priority.

HONORING JACKIE S. ROWLES, CRNA, MBA, MA, FAAPM, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSE ANESTHETISTS

**HON. STEVE BUYER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 2009*

Mr. BUYER. Madam Speaker, today I pay tribute to Jackie S. Rowles, CRNA, MBA, MA, FAAPM, of Indiana. Ms. Rowles will soon complete her year as national president of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA). I am very pleased that a fellow Hoosier served as the 2008–2009 President of this prestigious national organization.

Celebrating its 78th Anniversary, the AANA is the professional organization that represents more than 40,000 practicing Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs). Founded in 1931, the AANA is the professional association representing CRNAs nationwide. As you may know, CRNAs are advanced practice nurses who administer more than 27 million anesthetics in the United States each year. CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered: traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms; critical access hospitals; ambulatory surgical centers; the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, plastic surgeons, the U.S. military, Public Health Services, Department of Veterans Affairs healthcare facilities, and finally, like Ms. Rowles, some are specialists in the management of pain.

Ms. Rowles was educated in the art and science of Nurse Anesthesia, at the Truman Medical Center, in Kansas City, Missouri. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from Ball State University, in Muncie, Indiana. In addition, Ms. Rowles also holds a Master of Arts (MA) degree in Biology from the University of Missouri at Kansas City, and a Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Memphis State University in Memphis, Tennessee. Currently, she is an Anesthetist within the Meridian Health Group, which provides pain management services in and around the Indianapolis area.

Ms. Rowles has held numerous leadership positions in the AANA as Regional Director, Vice-President, and President-elect before becoming the National President of the AANA in 2008. In addition, Jackie has served terms as President, President-Elect, and Secretary, for the Indiana Association of Nurse Anesthetists (INANA). She has received the Excellence Award from the Indiana Association of Nurse Anesthetists; the Outstanding Nursing Alumni Award from Ball State University; and the AANA Alice Magaw Outstanding Clinical Practitioner Award. Ms. Rowles has been a Member of the Indiana Commission on Health Care Excellence; a Member of the Accreditation Association Ambulatory Health Care; Associate Member in the American Society of Interventional Pain Physicians and Indiana Society of IPP; a Member of the Society of Pain Management; and finally, a Fellow and Member of

the Board of Directors in the American Academy of Pain Management (AAPM). Considered an expert in interventional pain management, Jackie Rowles developed a nationally recognized system of CRNA skill competency assessment that has served as a tool in patient safety initiatives.

Adding to her professional accomplishments, Ms. Rowles has been recognized for speaking on anesthesia- and pain management-related topics over the years. During her AANA Presidency, Ms. Rowles advocated for CRNAs and patients before the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Food and Drug Administration, and other federal agencies. In addition, Ms. Rowles directed that the AANA be represented before this Congress to testify about the contributions of CRNAs in the Veterans Affairs and military health systems. Finally, Ms. Rowles has been an invaluable advocate for the value of CRNAs in health reform.

Madam Speaker, I rise to ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the outgoing President of the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Ms. Jackie S. Rowles, CRNA, MBA, MA, FAAPM, for her notable career and outstanding achievements. And, on a personal note, Jackie, stay out of the sand traps and enjoy the fairways and greens.

**EARMARK DECLARATION**

**HON. SCOTT GARRETT**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 2009*

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. 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. 3326, FY 2010 Department of Defense Appropriations Act:

1. Project Name—Lightweight Munitions and Surveillance System for Unmanned Air and Ground Vehicles

Requesting Member—SCOTT GARRETT

Bill Number—H.R. 3326, FY 2010 Department of Defense Appropriations Act

Account—RDT&E (Army), Shipboard Systems Component Development

Requesting Entity—Imperial Machine & Tool Company, 8 West Crisman Road, Columbia, NJ 07832

Description of the Project—The Hybrid Projectile program's goal is to produce low-cost guided munitions capable of reaching targets faster than a traditional UAV. These munitions will be more efficient and effective than current guided projectiles of the same caliber with larger payloads and the ability to change targets or be recalled mid-flight. With additional taxpayer funding, current early phase research can be accelerated, completed, and transferred to other caliber weapons. The Hybrid Projectile program will offer a wide range of forward-looking, advanced weapons and surveillance capabilities to not only Army personnel, but also members of all branches of the Armed Services.

Description of the Spending Plan—(\$4,800,000)

\$900,000—Design/Study: Design and study costs are associated with the intense

engineering and drafting of the various hybrid projectiles. Imperial dedicates personnel solely to this project.

\$1,100,000—Personnel/Salaries: This cost is for the salaries of employees at Imperial Machine & Tool Co. and subcontractors (if required) that will be working on the program for FY10.

\$800,000—Equipment: Equipment purchases are associated with hardware and electronics necessary to continue development of Hybrid Projectiles. Imperial Machine & Tool Co. owns state of the art manufacturing equipment. Therefore, there are no capital equipment purchases necessary.

\$2,000,000—Manufacturing: This allows for the advanced manufacturing of hybrid projectiles through novel machining practices and cutting edge technology.

Total—\$4,800,000.

2. Project Name—Landing Craft Composite Lift Fan

Requesting Member—SCOTT GARRETT

Bill Number—H.R. 3326, FY 2010 Department of Defense Appropriations Act

Account—RDT&E (Navy) Weapons and Munitions Advanced Technology

Requesting Entity—Curtiss-Wright Flow Control/Engineered Pump Division, 222 Cameron Drive, Suite 200, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865

Description of the Project—This project will support the design, development, and manufacture of two sets of prototype composite material lift fans for application on current and next generation Navy landing craft vessels. The initiative will address an ongoing problem the Navy has been experiencing with current generation metal lift fan blades that have to be replaced every few months at a cost of approximately \$1.4 million a year. This technology will extend the life of landing craft lift fans, reducing failures, maintenance, and life cycle costs. The proposed fan improvement utilizes state of the art composite materials, fiber-reinforced matrix composites. Similar composite materials have proven themselves in pumps used in sea water applications onboard U.S. Naval Ships. This funding would complete the development of landing craft composite lift fan initiated in FY09, providing final design and production ready capability to replace current generation landing craft lift fans.

Description of the Spending Plan—(\$1,500,000)

\$750,000—prototype installation on Navy LCAC

\$525,000—US Navy testing of prototype on LCAC

\$225,000—final design modifications as identified in testing

Total—\$1,500,000.

**EARMARK DECLARATION**

**HON. RALPH M. HALL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 29, 2009*

Mr. HALL of Texas. 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. 3326, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act of FY 2010:

Requesting Member: Congressman RALPH M. HALL