

of Air Depot Street at Tinker Gate. This project is fully executable in the next fiscal year, is within the FYDP, supported by the base commander, is a base priority, and has a parametric cost estimate associated with it. The existing roadway alignment poses a safety issue and does not satisfy the Anti-Force/force protection requirements. It is not in compliance with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices—extreme congestion during morning and afternoon peak traffic flows presents significant driver safety issues as exits are made from a major Interstate onto the entrance to Tinker AFB. The project also provides for a new Pass and Identification building consolidating all operations at the 24-hour gate.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE FIFTIETH
ANNIVERSARY OF THE PACE
FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, it is an honor for me to rise today in recognition of the fiftieth anniversary of the Pace, Florida Fire Department.

In 1959 the city of Pace had little access to emergency services. A small group of ten local citizens took matters into their own hands and heeded their community's call for help. With only two donated fire trucks, these ten brave men created the Pace Volunteer Fire Department and began responding to local emergencies. In the beginning, the department had no station to house firemen or fire trucks. Instead, two Pace households used "fire phones" to take emergency calls. These households would then phone each firefighter at home to alert them of the fire. With little extra funding for gear, the men often responded to these fires with nothing but the clothes on their backs and courage in their hearts.

As the fire department gained its footing in the Pace area, the local community began to provide funding for a new alert system, a new fire station, and appropriate firefighting gear. The firefighters' wives founded a ladies auxiliary which helped to raise funds and to support their husbands. With such dedicated support from the local society, the fire department quickly grew to over thirty firefighters. Over the past fifty years, the Pace Volunteer Fire Department has expanded from one station and two donated fire engines to four substations and eleven fire trucks. Today, a group of twenty firefighters and ten associate members now respond to over 1,400 emergency calls each year.

The dedicated men and women of the Pace Fire Department have faithfully served their community for fifty years. Each and every day these volunteers respond bravely to our most dangerous disasters, and they ask for nothing in return. Their commitment to the citizens of Pace and passion in fulfilling their duties distinguishes them as one of the best fire departments in the country.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I am proud to honor the

Pace Fire Department for its fifty years of courageous service to their community.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH.

Bill Number: H.R. 6599.

Account: Defense Medical Program, TRICARE Management Activity, Military Construction, Defense-Wide.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Fort Sam Houston.

Address of Requesting Entity: 1206 Stanley Road, Suite A, Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-5001.

Description of Request: The funding would be used to construct a medical instruction facility. This project provides general and applied instructional space, administrative space and automation-aided classroom space.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RAY LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, in accordance with the Republican adopted standards on earmarks, I submit the below detailed explanation of the C-130 Squadron Operations Facility for the 182nd Airlift Wing, Illinois Air National Guard.

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—The Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2009.

Provisions/Account: MilCon, Air National Guard, JLQN069160.

Name and Address of Requesting Entity: 182nd Airlift Wing, Illinois Air National Guard, 2416 S. Falcon Boulevard, Greater Peoria Regional Airport, Peoria, IL 61607.

Description of Request: This is a top priority for the Illinois Air National Guard. This project has already received architecture and engineering funding from the National Guard Bureau, and will be ready to utilize FY09 funds. This request would provide a properly sized and adequately configured facility to accommodate airlift squadron operations. The current facility is only 86 percent of the authorized space. It is extremely overcrowded and inadequate to support the ongoing airlift mission of this C-130 base. Upon completion of this project, the current Operations building will be reconfigured to address the critical space shortages of other base operations.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BARBARA CUBIN

OF WYOMING

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Mrs. CUBIN. Madam Speaker, in conformance with Republican Earmark Standards Guidance, I hereby submit the attached detailed finance plan for the C-130 Squadron Operations Facility at the Cheyenne Municipal Airport in Cheyenne, WY. This project is funded at \$7,000,000 in H.R. 6599, the Fiscal Year 2009 Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, as reported by the House Appropriations Committee on July 24, 2008. I am pleased to support this project on behalf of the Wyoming National Guard as they seek to fulfill vital national defense and homeland security requirements in association with the active duty Air Force.

Requesting Member: Rep. BARBARA CUBIN (WY-At Large).

Bill Number: H.R. 6599.

Account: Military Construction; Air National Guard.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Wyoming National Guard.

Address of Requesting Entity: 5500 Bishop Boulevard, Cheyenne, WY 82009.

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for \$7,000,000 to construct a squadron operations facility at the Cheyenne Municipal Airport in Cheyenne, WY. Specifically, \$5,795,000 for basic construction of the approximately 26,200 square foot facility; \$200,000 for utilities; \$165,000 for roadway and parking pavements; \$55,000 for site improvements; \$75,000 for communications support; \$315,000 in contingency funds for unforeseen expenses; and \$396,000 for supervision, inspection and overhead. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Air National Guard's Military Construction account. The Wyoming National Guard has identified a need for this new, consolidated facility to provide space for administration, training, intelligence, life support, survival equipment, command post, flight planning, aircrew briefing rooms, flight management, and storage. This facility is designed to sustain 24-hour/day operations supporting airborne firefighting, aeromedical evacuation, and homeland defense missions of 12-PAA C-130 aircraft associated with active duty Air Force personnel.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 29, 2008

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I am placing this statement in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

Requesting Member: Congressman BILL SHUSTER (PA-9).

Bill Number: H.R. 6599—The Military Construction and Veterans Affairs FY09 Appropriations bill.