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 masscasualty 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.