

VA 20155. The funding will be used for the High Speed Anti-radiation Demonstration (HSAD). The High Speed Anti-radiation Demonstration (HSAD) program aims to demonstrate the feasibility of using an existing Advanced Anti-Radiation Guided Missile (AARGM) to create an advanced weapon by replacing the traditional solid rocket motor propulsion with advanced air-breathing, hypersonic propulsion. Successful demonstration will give the Navy the opportunity to provide needed enhanced capabilities to the warfighter sooner. Funding for this project would be spent as follows: Navy Program Office: Systems engineering (\$175K), Operational Analysis (\$100K); Aerojet: Tactical missile component design development and analysis (\$220K), Lightweight ramjet engine component testing (\$2450K), Ramjet engine safety engineering and analysis (\$155K); Raytheon: Guidance system conceptual design (\$600K), Operational analysis (\$150K).

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**PETE KUTRAS**

**HON. ZOE LOFGREN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 24, 2008*

Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise along with my colleague, Congressman MIKE HONDA, to honor County Executive Pete Kutras for his 39 years of public service and his well-earned retirement which will be effective November 1, 2008.

The Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors appointed Kutras to the top spot as county executive in August 2003, after he served as interim county executive for 4 months. He oversees the nearly 15,000 county employees in 29 departments and agencies. Santa Clara County with a population of about 1.8 million is the sixth largest of 58 California counties and the 17th largest of the more than 3,100 counties in the United States.

Kutras' extensive history in public service, most with the county of Santa Clara, and his knowledge of the organization and issues were major factors in the Board's decision to appoint him as the county's Chief Executive Officer. Kutras had occupied the number two spot of assistant county executive since July 1999. Prior to that appointment, Kutras held various positions with the county beginning in 1974, including the Directorships of Labor Relations, Personnel and Labor Relations, Employee Services Agency and Deputy County Executive.

Among the challenges that Kutras encountered during his 5 years at the helm, and the 2 years that preceded his appointment, has been continuously shrinking resources. Over that time period, each year the county confronted substantial budget deficits that resulted in \$1.2 billion in budget solutions to retain services that are vital to vulnerable members of the community. Despite the financial challenges, the county's financial management acumen continues to earn top bond ratings.

Kutras enjoys the support and respect of peers and colleagues. Throughout his career, Pete has built coalitions and convinced disparate groups to work together for common solutions. He focused on public safety and introduced reforms in the Probation Department after voter approval of Measure A in 2004,

which placed probation under the management of the county executive and oversight of the board of supervisors.

During the past few years, Kutras has focused the county organization on disaster preparedness and called for training, drills and readiness to respond to earthquakes and fires, and cold and hot weather emergencies to prevent needless deaths. In light of the recent fires experienced by the area, the results of Kutras' leadership are apparent. The organization has also demonstrated leadership and preparedness for public health threats such as pandemics.

Kutras previously served as an elected member of the Campbell Union High School District Board of Trustees and has also served as an appointed commissioner on the Moreland School District Personnel Commission. He is a past president of the California Public Employers Labor Relations Association and also served on the board of directors for the organization. Kutras also has been a member of the Personnel Commission for the city of Morgan Hill.

A Morgan Hill resident, Kutras holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science, with a concentration in Public Administration, from San Jose State University. He served in the U.S. Army from 1967–71 with overseas duty in Vietnam and Ethiopia. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and the Army Commendation Medal, both for meritorious achievement.

As a veteran, Pete understands the debt our Nation owes to the men and women who have served in our armed services. He has always made sure that employees of the county who serve in the military receive all the assistance possible from the county as their employer. He also cares very much for the needs of veterans in Santa Clara County and is always eager to take steps to meet the needs of veterans.

On behalf of the thousands of Santa Clara County residents who have directly and indirectly benefitted from Mr. Kutras' leadership I thank him and wish him the best upon his retirement. On a personal note, I served as a member of the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors for 14 years and know, firsthand, that Pete Kutras is a public servant with special talent and extraordinary ability. He has left county government a better place and his efforts have improved the lives of those in need who reside in the County of Santa Clara, I wish him well in his retirement and county government will miss his guidance and intelligence greatly.

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 RECOGNIZING THE JOSEPH  
 BUNDRICK FAMILY AS THE  
 OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 FARM FAMILY OF THE YEAR

**HON. JEFF MILLER**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 24, 2008*

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, it is an honor for me to rise today to extend congratulations to the Joseph Bundrick family for being selected as the Okaloosa County 2008 Outstanding Farm Family of the Year.

Joseph Bundrick and his family have been supporting agriculture and the production of

food and fiber for years through their bee keeping business. Since 1982, Mr. Bundrick has been working with bees and helping their business grow. At the height of their bee keeping, the family managed almost 2,000 hives. As a testament to their hard work and subsequent success, in 1 year the Bundrick family produced 170 barrels of honey and were placing hives throughout the Northwest Florida area.

Every year, the North Florida Fair Association honors farm families in counties throughout North Florida that display leadership through farming techniques and agricultural production. The Farm Family of the Year award conveys the importance of farm families' contributions to some of society's largest needs including food, clothing, and building supplies. Recognition of their work, as conveyed by this award, encourages others in the community to become involved and support local agriculture.

On behalf of all residents of Northwest Florida, I hope this family tradition continues for many future generations.

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 EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. DEBORAH PRYCE**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, September 24, 2008*

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I (Congresswoman DEBORAH PRYCE) am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 2638, The Consolidated Security, Disaster Assistance, and Continuing Appropriations Act, 2009:

(1) \$800,000 DHP for the Neuroscience Clinical Gene Therapy Center requested by The Ohio State University Research Foundation, 1960 Kenny Rd, Columbus, OH 43210. The Neuroscience Clinical Gene Therapy Center will facilitate the progression and translation of gene therapy research from the laboratory bench into clinical trials for the treatment of human disease.

(2) \$2,400,000 RDTE,AF for Development of Intelligent Manufacturing requested by The Ohio State University, 1971 Neil Ave Columbus, OH 43210. This program establishes a research and educational program for enhancing U.S. competitiveness in Intelligent Manufacturing. Intelligent Manufacturing creates a highly adaptable work force capable of producing highly specialized components and devices with a quick turn around time between projects.

(3) \$1,600,000 DHP for the Comprehensive Clinical Phenotyping and Genetic Mapping for the Discovery of Autism Susceptibility Genes requested by Nationwide Children's Hospital Research Institute, 700 Children's Drive Columbus, Ohio 43205. This project is a second year of funding to continue and expand a comprehensive, multidisciplinary autism research program for military families stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and other central Ohio families.