

nation's hospitals. I applaud Winter Haven Hospital as it celebrated its designation as a nursing Magnet hospital on Tuesday, February 24, 2009.

The Magnet distinction is a great accomplishment for Winter Haven Hospital, the first institution in Polk County to achieve this honor. The American Nurses Credentialing Center established the Magnet Recognition Program to recognize excellence in patient care and nursing practice in healthcare organizations across the country.

Recognition as a Magnet organization requires that an institution meet a series of quality indicators and standards in nursing practice. Only about 5 percent of our nation's hospitals have attained this honor, which is a true testament to Winter Haven Hospital's commitment to quality healthcare.

Since its establishment in 1928, Winter Haven Hospital has proven itself time and again as a strong local hospital with a reputation of quality specialty care and exceptional patient relations. In 2003, Winter Haven Hospital received the Best Places to Work Award by Polk Works Workforce 2020. The hospital has also received high marks for its Stroke Center, including the Gold Get-With-The-Goals Stroke Award received in 2008. Winter Haven Hospital has also earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval, and consistently extends a great deal of resources to community support, including babysitting classes for young teenagers and cancer support groups.

Under the leadership of President Lance Anastasio, I am confident that Winter Haven Hospital will continue to be a leader in providing high quality healthcare to the citizens of Central Florida and continue to grow as a center of medical excellence.

A TRIBUTE TO CORPORAL DONTE  
JAMAL WHITWORTH

**HON. DAN BURTON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 12, 2009*

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to salute the life of Corporal Donte Jamal Whitworth of Noblesville, Indiana who died on Saturday, February 28th, 2009 while serving our country near Al Taquddum Air Base, about 50 miles west of Baghdad.

Donte graduated from Noblesville High School in 2005 and promptly joined the United States Marine Corps where he served for the last 4 years. Most recently he deployed to Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he was responsible for commanding supply convoys. Donte's commitment for this country is something we can all be proud of.

A marine and a soldier, he served to promote freedom. He gave his life in defense of his family, community, State and Nation. He made our world safer. He made his family and every American proud. For this, each and every American owes him and his family a great debt of gratitude.

Madam Speaker, Corporal Donte Jamal Whitworth is a true American hero who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country. He will be deeply missed, but the strength of his character and the courage he demonstrated through his service will live on. I ask my colleagues to keep his family and friends in their

thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, March 12, 2009*

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I submit the following:

(1) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Higher Education  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Eastern Illinois University

Address of Requesting Entity: 600 Lincoln Avenue, Charleston, IL 61920

Description of Request: \$190,000 for the Eastern Illinois University for the purchase of a new campus-wide siren and emergency system upgrade to extend the communication from the county emergency management officials into the classrooms and other interior public campus space. The proposed system will have emergency notification from both the classroom to the emergency responders and also from the emergency responders into the classrooms. The systems will be designed to crosstalk between the campus distributed fire alarm systems, computer network, and wireless speakers. This system will be expanded to provide more effective and efficient notification to the campus and public. Of this funding, \$90,400 will be used for 226 interior speakers at public locations around the campus, \$33,500 will be used to install the wireless computer center, \$6,700 will retrofit existing alarms and interface with radio connections, \$21,200 will be spent to purchase and install panic buttons and their mobile receivers across campus, and \$38,200 is set aside for Higher Education (FIPSE) administrative costs.

(2) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Transportation-HUD Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Economic Development Initiatives  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Octave Chanute Aerospace Heritage Foundation-Chanute Air Museum

Address of Requesting Entity: 1011 Pacesetter Drive, Rantoul, IL 61866

Description of Request: \$118,750 for the construction of a new building for historic aircraft display. Of this amount, \$70,000 will be used for property acquisition, \$8,000 will be allocated for a site survey, \$13,000 will be used to conduct a feasibility study by an architectural firm, and \$27,750 will be used for the installation of public facilities on site.

(3) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Innovation and Improvement  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Writing Project

Address of Requesting Entity: 2105 Bancroft Way #1042, Berkeley, California 94720

Description of Request: \$24,291,000 for the National Writing Project to fund programs in teacher development, quality writing, and research to help improve student performance in writing across the nation.

(4) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Innovation and Improvement  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Reading is Fundamental

Address of Requesting Entity: 1825 Connecticut Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20009

Description of Request: \$24,803,000 for the Reading is Fundamental program which prepares children to read by delivering free books and literacy resources to children in-need across the country.

(5) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Innovation and Improvement  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Center for Civic Education

Address of Requesting Entity: 5145 Douglas Fir Road, Calabasas, California 91302

Description of Request: \$25,095,000 for the Center for Civic Education to be used to support programs that educate American students about our nation's fundamental ideals and democratic values.

(6) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Safe Schools and Citizenship Education

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: National Council of Economic Education

Address of Requesting Entity: 1140 Avenue of the Americas, Suite 202, New York, New York 10036

Description of Request: \$5,019,000 for the National Council of Economic Education to support programs that educate American students about our nation's fundamental ideals and democratic values.

(7) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Energy & Water Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District  
Address of Requesting Entity: Clock Tower Bldg., PO Box 2004, Rock Island, IL 61204

Description of Request: \$8,604,000 for the first phases of construction of new 1,200 foot lock chambers at L/Ds 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, La-Grange and Peoria; for implementing small-scale navigation aids; and beginning ecosystem restoration projects along the Mississippi River and Illinois Waterway. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Army Corps of Engineers, Investigations account and has previously been authorized by P.L. 99-662 and P.L. 110-280 Sec. 8001-8005.

(8) Requesting Member: TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

Bill Number: Fiscal Year 2009 Energy & Water Appropriations bill included in H.R. 1105