

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LEADERSHIP TRAINING INSTITUTE OF AMERICA

HON. JOHN BOOZMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to recognize and commend the Leadership Training Institute of America for its outstanding contributions to the development of our nation's youth. This organization is changing the world and shaping the future by inspiring Christian leaders to develop their critical thinking skills, study world view agendas and strategies, influence their communities with a Biblical world view, and excel as leaders.

LTIA, headquartered in Fayetteville, Arkansas, is a cultural think tank that provides high school and college age students with training and opportunities in cultural dynamics and leadership values. This organization's mission is to identify, inspire, and instruct students for world view leadership and it has done that with hundreds of youth around the world.

It is imperative for us to have organizations like this that are on the forefront of training youth in world view struggles, which enables them to defend their beliefs and to understand why traditional, conservative values are important to a free and secure society. These are the biblical values that our country was founded on.

The students are encouraged to apply and excel in leadership, critical thinking skills, scientific knowledge, historical facts, world view conflicts and strategies and Biblical wisdom. They are exposed to the major philosophies, views, and issues of our world today and are encouraged to pursue careers in influential sectors of society.

With great pride, I salute the Leadership Training Institute of America for its unrelenting dedication and commitment in training and equipping our youth for the challenges they will face tomorrow in the dynamic and ever changing world.

SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY
DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY SQUAD

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the accomplishments of the Shippensburg University Distance Medley Relay Squad, who won the Division II Track and Field National Championship and who were the top Division II team at the Penn State National Invitational—finishing second with only one Division I team finishing ahead of them in their event.

The team of four posted an awe-inspiring time of 11 minutes and 30 seconds at the Penn State Invitational, crushing the former conference and school records. Junior Mary Dell, junior Shannon Hare, sophomore Abby Huber, and freshman Neely Spence went on to the national championship meet where they also took home the title. They also succeeded in setting a new championship record of 11 minutes and 24 seconds, besting the previous

record of 11 minutes 29 seconds. This exceptional win marks the second indoor track and field championship won by a women's team in Shippensburg University history.

The team has a history of record breaking. Last year the S.U. squad captured the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference record, earning Dell, Huber, Hare and sophomore Jamie McCollum All-American status for their performance at the Division II National Championships. Through strength, perseverance, and devotion the team has proven to be leaders of not only the track and field team, but throughout the University. They have brought much pride to Shippensburg University, the surrounding community, family and friends.

I congratulate the Shippensburg University Distance Medley Relay Squad on their great accomplishments. I am sure that they will all continue to lead and inspire others through their dedication and hard work.

RECOGNIZING MEREDITH BUCK,
2009 RECIPIENT OF THE FLORENCE
NIGHTINGALE AWARD

HON. PATRICK J. MURPHY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. PATRICK J. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Meredith Buck as a 2009 recipient of the Florence Nightingale Medal, the highest international honor in the nursing field. The Medal is awarded by the International Committee of the Red Cross for "exceptional courage and devotion to caring for the victims of armed conflict or other disasters, or exemplary services and a creative and pioneering spirit in the areas of public health or nursing education". Ms. Buck is one of only 28 nurses in the world receiving this honor in 2009.

Ms. Buck joined the Southeastern Pennsylvania Chapter of the Red Cross immediately following the attacks of September 11th, and has been dedicated to emergency relief ever since. Locally, she has responded to dozens of disasters, volunteering as a nurse and as a Disaster Action Team responder for various county organizations. Nationally, she has responded to twelve disasters in locations ranging from New York to Texas to Guam.

Ms. Buck has demonstrated remarkable leadership in her field, having served as an instructor for the Emergency Services Department. She is also the co-captain of the Disaster Health Services Team, a group comprised of 126 nurses, nursing assistants, EMTs, and other medical personnel trained to respond to disaster-affected clients utilizing Red Cross medical assistance.

Along with these accomplishments, Ms. Buck has repeatedly proven her dedication to the clients of the Red Cross. From mentoring new volunteers as a back-up on-call nurse every other day of the week to traveling to a disaster site in the middle of the night, Ms. Buck has regularly worked all hours for those in need of her care.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to recognize Ms. Meredith Buck for her outstanding commitment to her local community, as well as her country, and am extremely honored to serve as her Congressman.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. SMITH 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 the FY 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: DOJ—OJP—Byrne

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Austin

Address of Requesting Entity: 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, TX 78701

Description of Request: I have secured \$250,000 for the City of Austin to install security cameras in pedestrian-heavy and high-crime locations. This technology will allow the Austin Police Department (APD) to "expand its police force" by providing the capability to monitor activity from a central location. The requested funding may also be used to purchase temporary storage space for digital evidence obtained from security cameras and to purchase a mobile training facility. Police cameras have been shown to reduce crime and provide video evidence that bolsters the prosecution of criminal cases. APD will use the cameras to fight all crime, with a focus on potentially life-threatening crimes such as assaults and robberies which have recently increased in various City locations. Also, as the department grows, and on-going officer training is needed, the mobile facility will greatly enhance Austin's abilities to meet law enforcement standards. The versatility of the mobile facility would allow for both daytime and night fire training opportunities at a cost that is significantly less than the construction of a full scale range. The City of Austin will match any federal funds that the delegation secures for this project. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: DOJ—COPS Technology

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of San Antonio, Texas, Police Department

Address of Requesting Entity: 214 West Nueva, San Antonio, TX 78207

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,100,000 for the City of San Antonio for the installation of a digital imagery capture and storage system, and in-car video equipment. The first phase will be the conversion of the current photographic evidence from current CD/DVD storage to a dual server and SAN storage system. This system would reside in two separate locations, for security purposes and protection against catastrophic loss. Additionally, current Evidence Unit cameras (photographic and video) would be upgraded to allow for compatibility with the new system. In order to allow instant downloading of evidence, the wireless connectivity between the Evidence Unit vehicles and the servers would be also be upgraded. The second part will be the installation of a video camera and transmitter-activated equipment in each patrol car

and motorcycle assigned to the Police Department's Traffic Division. This Division is tasked with city wide traffic and other law enforcement activities and focuses along all major thoroughfares and arterials. By initiating the program with the Traffic Division, full coverage of the entire City will be achieved. The implementation of the digital image storage system and in car cameras will increase officer safety and provide high quality documentation and evidence of police activity. This will translate into an increase in successful prosecutions and citizen safety. Local funding shortage/issues have kept this program from being implemented. Due to the technical nature of the program, a full time position will be required to manage and maintain the system. The City of San Antonio will hire a full time Technician as a matching portion of the program. Salary and benefits for such a position are estimated at \$55,000 per year. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: H.R. 2487

Account: DOJ—OJP—Byrne

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Texas State University—San Marcos (on behalf of the City of Lakeway Police Department)

Address of Requesting Entity: 601 University Drive, San Marcos, TX 78666

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,300,000 for Texas State University's ALERRT Program. ALERRT seeks funding to train additional police officers and to further promote the nationally standardized format and train-the-trainer capacity to meet the training needs of the more than 16,000 police departments across the nation. This valuable training will allow first responding patrol officers to more effectively deal with acts of violence before they evolve into full-blown, national tragedies. Funding will allow for better-trained law enforcement agents and safer communities. ALERRT provides first responders with the tactics they will need to effectively respond to active shooter situations. Currently, there are 423 requests pending for ALERRT training. Additional funding for ALERRT would enable the program to train more patrol officers, including Lakeway Police Department, and thereby improve the safety of our nation's communities. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DANA ROHRBACHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. ROHRBACHER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the requirements of the Republican Conference of the House, I am submitting for the RECORD the following information regarding earmarks I received, which were included in the reported version of H.R. 2847, the "Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010."

Requesting Member: Congressman DANA ROHRBACHER (CA—46)

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Name of Project: Virtual Interactive Training Simulator

Account: Department of Justice, OJP—Byrne

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The Criminal Justice Training Center, Golden West College, Huntington Beach, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 15744 Golden West Street, Huntington Beach, CA 92647

Description of Request: I received \$900,000 for Golden West College's Virtual Interactive Training Simulator. Funds will be used for purchase of a virtual training facility for regional law enforcement. The simulator offers a cost-effective approach by creating an engaging virtual training solution. The system immerses the trainee in a realistic 3-D environment, with the sense of immersion being enhanced both by the high-fidelity situational rendering and by the ease of navigating through the environment using simple controls mounted on the tether-free simulated weapons. It is my understanding funds will be used consistent with the following manner:

For the system hardware, software and simulated weapons: \$463,432

For the trailer classroom: \$252,221

Truck with towing package: \$66,623

Training of instructors on virtual training system: \$58,513

Twelve training databases and scenarios: \$109,211

Requesting Member: Congressman DANA ROHRBACHER (CA—46)

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Name of Project: Asian Criminal Enterprise Initiative

Account: Department of Justice, OJP—Byrne

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Westminster, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 8200 Westminster Blvd., Westminster, CA 92683

Description of Request: I received \$290,000 for the city of Westminster's Asian Criminal Enterprise Initiative. Funding is for the third and final year of federal funding for the city of Westminster's Asian Criminal Enterprise Initiative. The detectives assigned to the Little Saigon Substation are already in operation, focusing on identifying, investigating and dismantling criminal enterprises, having both national and international implications, within the Little Saigon area. Under this project, the Westminster Police Department's Crimes Against Public Unit occupies office space within the Little Saigon district of Westminster, placing a powerful investigative engine into the heart of the area where Asian Criminal Enterprises operate. The city will provide a \$776,000 match. It is my understanding federal funds will be used in the following manner:

Office Space: \$60,000

Utilities: \$12,000

Vehicles/Maintenance: \$44,000

Police Aides: \$31,700

Police Service Officer: \$96,000

IT Support: \$6,000

Travel/Training: \$15,000

Safety Equipment: \$10,000

Operational Funds: \$15,000

Requesting Member: Congressman DANA ROHRBACHER (CA—46)

Bill Number: H.R. 2847

Name of Project: Mobile Live Scan Fingerprint Devices for LA and Orange Counties

Account: Department of Justice, COPS Tech

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: California Department of Justice, Sacramento CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 1300 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

Description of Request: I received \$100,000 for the California Department of Justice's Mobile Live Scan Fingerprint Devices. Funds will be used for a Justice Information Sharing initiative called "Vision 2015" that will significantly enhance the quality and usability of criminal justice identification and records information maintained by the state. The project will include the deployment of mobile Live Scan devices for use in police vehicles that will allow officers to capture fingerprint identification and arrest information during the citation and/or arrest of a subject. It is my understanding the California Department of Justice has allocated \$3.8 million for this project. It is further my understanding that federal funds will be used consistent with the following manner:

\$210,000—purchase and deployment of live scan devices for law enforcement vehicles in LA and Orange Counties.

\$140,000—purchase and installation of necessary software/infrastructure for CA DOJ and local courts.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE PASSING OF LANE GILCHRIST, MAYOR OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 15, 2009

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Lane Gilchrist, Mayor of Gulf Breeze, Florida, who passed away on June 12, 2009. Mayor Gilchrist served the people of Northwest Florida with honor and distinction, and I am humbled to recognize this community leader.

Lane Gilchrist spent a lifetime serving others. After graduating from Auburn University in 1958, Lane joined the United States Navy. He spent over twenty years both on active duty and in the reserve, retiring in 1979 as a Lieutenant Commander. He also began a career at Gulf Power, and quickly rose through the company to become Fuel and Environmental Affairs Manager. Mr. Gilchrist spent 35 years with Gulf Power, retiring in 1996.

In 1982, Lane Gilchrist was elected to the City Council of Gulf Breeze. With a salary of only one dollar a year, the city council is truly a place for those who want to give back to their community. After serving as Mayor Pro Tem for ten years, Mr. Gilchrist became mayor in 1992 where he remained ever since. In fact, Mayor Gilchrist was one of the longest serving active public officials in Florida. His dedication to the people of his community was superb. As mayor, Mr. Gilchrist guided Gulf Breeze through four devastating hurricanes—Erin and Opal in 1995, and Ivan and Dennis in 2004 and 2005. His leadership through these trying times will be forever remembered by our community.

The people of Gulf Breeze have many reasons to be proud of Lane Gilchrist, and I am honored to be able to recognize such a great leader and friend. My wife Vicki and I will keep his entire family, especially his wife, Suzie, and sons, Lane, Jr. and Michael, in our prayers. Mayor Gilchrist will be missed by all of us in Northwest Florida.