

For our Lord God, has given me other gifts  
that I can use. . . .  
For your coming though to me, loud and  
clear. . . .  
For I've developed my senses, so much great-  
er so here. . . .  
We're all the same!  
Some of us even, have the same names. . . .  
So hear me!  
Do not fear me!  
Be near me, be my friend. . . . so tried and  
true. . . .  
There's, so much more we can learn about  
each other. . . . me and you  
For, I can hear you!  
In our world, there is such a special bond.  
. . . .  
That, in the quiet world is so formed. . . .  
At first, you may not understand. . . . but  
it's in our heart where it is born. . . .  
I can teach you!  
I can reach you!  
In all I do!  
Life lesson's so very true. . . .  
For, I will not give up!  
Nor give in!  
On this Inauguration Day, I see how far  
dreams can take you to!  
And yet I ask, "Why, must children have so  
much courage then so too?"  
For some things, are so hard to understand  
. . . .  
As where faith must begin and end. . . .  
Reach out, and take my hand. . . .  
Let's be friends, me and you. . . .  
There's so much more together we can learn  
and do!  
Little children as Heroes should not have to  
be. . . . but are put on this earth for all  
to teach!  
Can you hear me?  
I can hear you!  
And one day up in Heaven. . . . I know, my  
Lord I will view. . . .  
And, I will begin to cry. . . .  
When, I look into his eyes. . . . and I hear for  
the first time. . . .  
My very first words!  
"I love you"!

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

### HON. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 16, 2009*

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, FY2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, FY2010

Account: Department of Energy, Science  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Barry University

Address of Requesting Entity: 11300 NE  
2nd Avenue, Miami Shores, FL 33161

Description of Request: I have secured \$1,200,000 to fund Phase II of the Institute for Collaborative Sciences Research which is intended to create a state-of-the-art research infrastructure through new laboratory and teaching space in health care and physical sciences programs. The focus of the Institute will be to prepare minority leaders for future work in

healthcare professions while facilitating important research that has a direct benefit on minority populations in my South Florida community.

Requesting Member: Congressman LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, FY2010

Account: Department of Energy, Science  
Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Miami-Dade College Hialeah Campus

Address of Requesting Entity: 1780 W 49th  
Street, Hialeah, FL 33012

Description of Request: I have secured \$400,000 to implement a Physical and Biological Sciences Laboratory Learning Center at Miami Dade College's Hialeah Campus. Funding will develop both face-to-face and virtual Physical and Biological Science labs, and technology-enhanced learning systems to support student recruitment, retention and graduation rates in Science career fields. Having these options will allow students to use technology to conduct experiments and test hypotheses in class under the direct supervision of an instructor or in the traditional wet lab setting. The Physical and Biological Sciences Laboratory Learning Center at MDC-Hialeah Campus will promote graduation rates in degree programs in the sciences fields. The national need for college educated workers in STEM fields is well documented.

Requesting Member: Congressman LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, FY2010

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Investigations account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Miami-Dade County

Address of Requesting Entity: 111 NW 1st  
Street, Suite 1032, Miami, FL 33128

Description of Request: I have secured \$600,000 for dredging of the Miami Harbor at the Port of Miami which includes the design, preparation of plans and specifications for bidding. The Chief of Engineers has recommended the deepening project to 50–52 feet and Congress has authorized the project (Title I, Water Resources Development Act of 2007). It is essential that the Planning, Engineering, and Design (PED) begin in FY09. Extended delay in the proposed dredging improvements could be detrimental to the economy of South Florida and the nation. Cargo growth at the Port of Miami has been phenomenally strong. However, the industry standard container ship is becoming larger, and the Port cannot handle the newer ships without deeper channels. In addition, the Port has been facing increasing competition from foreign ports with existing significantly deeper channels and faces lost business to foreign ports (such as Freeport).

Requesting Member: Congressman LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations bill, FY2010

Account: Army Corps of Engineers, Construction account

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: South Florida Water Management District

Address of Requesting Entity: 3301 Gun  
Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406

Description of Request: I have secured \$210,239,000 to continue authorized projects

included in the comprehensive South Florida Everglades Ecosystem Restoration project.

#### RECOGNIZING BISBEE'S WARREN PARK

### HON. GABRIELLE GIFFORDS

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 16, 2009*

Ms. GIFFORDS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a small but historically significant outpost of the great American pastime: Warren Ballpark in Bisbee, Arizona.

Baseball was invented, nurtured, and popularized in our great Nation. We are well aware of how this uniquely American game saw us through two world wars, a Great Depression, and innumerable challenges, both at home and abroad. Baseball is a fixed star; it will always be with us to bolster our spirits in times of need—times such as we face today.

It is with this storied past in mind that I recognize Bisbee's Warren Ballpark on the occasion of its 100th anniversary.

Warren Ballpark probably is not well-known outside of my district in southeastern Arizona but its place in baseball's history is as sure as a homerun. It is truly a field of dreams.

A recent editorial in the Sierra Vista Herald captured the essence of my message today: "The story of our ballpark is representative of a time when baseball was THE spectator sport and when every community of size and significance had its own minor league team."

The first game at Warren Ballpark was played between the home team and a team from El Paso, Texas, on June 27th, 1909—three years before Arizona became a state! At the time, Bisbee was a booming mining town with a population close to that of Tucson and Phoenix. The year that first game was played was also the year that one of Arizona's most renowned political figures, Barry Goldwater, was born and the year that the famed Apache warrior, Geronimo, died. In 1909 William Howard Taft assumed the Presidency from Theodore Roosevelt and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the Detroit Tigers in the World Series.

Much has happened since the glory days of Ty Cobb and Honus Wagner. Our Nation, my State and the game of baseball have all undergone countless changes. Yet Warren Ballpark remains. It is, therefore, appropriate that this body acknowledge Warren Ballpark as a historical treasure for our Nation and the community of Bisbee.

Warren Ballpark, it has been home to minor league teams affiliated with major league teams such as the Chicago Cubs, New York Yankees, Brooklyn Dodgers, and Cleveland Indians. The park saw the beginning of many great careers and hosted players who not only entertained America on the field, but protected her off the field as they answered the call of duty in World Wars I and II and the Korean war.

Baseball is still played on the old field of Warren Ballpark. The local high school team, the Bisbee Pumas, plays its games there, as does the Bisbee Copper Kings. The games draw enthusiastic supporters from Bisbee and surrounding communities.

Mike Anderson, founding member of Friends of Warren Ballpark, stated it well. He said "this is baseball on an intimate basis—the type of