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Amount: \$750,000

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Bill Number: Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Project Name: Potrero Boulevard/SR 60 Interchange

Account: FHWA-Surface Transportation Priorities

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Beaumont, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 550 East 6th St., Beaumont, CA 92223

Description of Request: The project, to engineer and construct the Potrero Boulevard/SR 60 interchange, will relieve congestion and improve safety at the Interstate 10 and SR 60 interchange. This project is Surface Transportation Program (STP) eligible as those program funds may be used to carry out projects involving construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, restoration, and operational improvements for highways. STP program requires 20% local match.

Amount: \$750,000

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Bill Number: Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Project Name: I-215 and University Parkway

Account: FHWA-Interstate Maintenance Discretionary

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of San Bernardino, CA

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 N. D St., San Bernardino, CA 92346

Description of Request: This project would construct a direct connector ramp from westbound University Parkway to southbound I-215. Constructing an additional southbound entrance ramp will provide the necessary relief for traffic on both sides on the interchange. The benefits include additional growth for Cal State San Bernardino, continued development of upper scale residential units in the vicinity of the university and continued commercial and industrial development on the west side of I-215. This project is eligible for IM funding as the IM program provides funding for resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation and reconstruction work, including adding lanes to increase capacity, on most existing Interstate System routes. IM program requires 10% local match.

Amount: \$750,000

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Bill Number: Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Project Name: Needles Highway

Account: FHWA-Public Lands Highway Program

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: San Bernardino Associated Governments

Address of Requesting Entity: 1170 W. 3rd St. 2nd Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92410-1715

Description of Request: The realignment and widening of the Needles Highway will facilitate motorist safety, economic development, and future capacity needs due to increased

freight movement from the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. Improvements to the highway are necessary for improved motorist safety as well as to reduce road flooding and wash-outs. Additionally, improvements are necessary as Needles Highway provides access to and from a number of Indian reservations in the area. This project is Public Lands Highway Program (PLHP) eligible as the PLHP program provides for transportation planning, research, engineering, and construction of highways, roads, and parkways and transit facilities within public lands, national parks, and Indian reservations. PLHP requires no local match.

Amount: \$1 million

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Bill Number: Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Project Name: Verdemon Community Center

Account: Economic Development Initiative

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of San Bernardino

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 North D Street, San Bernardino, CA 92418

Description of Request: Complete phase one of the Verdemon Community Center as part of the City of San Bernardino's Capital Improvement Program. The San Bernardino region, suffering from high unemployment and increasing crime, would benefit from the multi-purpose facility with gym, meeting rooms, library and amphitheater for low to moderate income families.

Amount: \$500,000

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Project Name: Inland Empire Economic Recovery Corporation

Bill Number: Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Neighborhood Initiative

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: County of San Bernardino, Riverside County

Address of Requesting Entity: County of San Bernardino, 385 N. Arrowhead Ave, 5th Floor, San Bernardino, CA 92415

Riverside County, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501

Description of Request: This funding will be used to further an Inland Empire regional collaboration between San Bernardino County, Riverside County and the not-for-profit Inland Empire Economic Recovery Corporation. This collaboration uses innovative ways to address the region's foreclosure and unemployment crisis. By purchasing, rehabilitating and selling low to moderate income single family homes at a market rate, the collaboration will stabilize home prices, create job opportunities and revitalize neighborhoods. Because the region ranks 6th nationally in foreclosures, surpassed 12% unemployment, and faces continued decreases in median home values of over 50% since 2006, the collaboration will serve as a model for how other increasingly distressed regions across the country address foreclosures, neighborhood blight and joblessness.

Amount: \$1,000,000

CELEBRATING 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF APOLLO 11 MOON LANDING

SPEECH OF

**HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 20, 2009*

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, I support this resolution (H. Res. 607) honoring the tremendous achievement of the crew of Apollo 11 and the thousands who labored for nearly a decade to lay the groundwork for the first human landing on the surface of the Moon.

Today marks the 40th anniversary of this historic flight that challenged and changed America. In Dayton, Ohio—the Birthplace of Aviation—the Wright Brothers set the process of human flight in motion. Today, Dayton is home to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the U.S. Air Force Museum, and the National Aviation Hall of Fame (NAHF). The National Aviation Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization founded in Dayton in 1962 and chartered by Congress in 1964 to honor America's outstanding air and space pioneers.

I congratulate the Apollo 11 crew on their magnificent accomplishment of being the first to land successfully on the Moon. Dayton welcomed the Apollo astronauts this past weekend during two days of special events spotlighting their service. On July 17, all of the Apollo astronauts, including the Apollo 11 crew, were honored by the National Aviation Hall of Fame with the "Spirit of Flight" Award for their contributions to the advancement of flight. Thirteen of the original Apollo program astronauts attended the event held in the U.S. Air Force Museum at Wright-Patterson AFB Friday night, including Ohio native Neil Armstrong. The former Apollo crewmen also participated in a panel discussion about their experiences in space.

Dayton was also pleased to host on July 18 "America's Oscar Night of Aviation" as the National Aviation Hall of Fame enshrined four aviation legends. Those honored included astronaut Edward White, II, who made America's first spacewalk on the Gemini IV mission. White lost his life in a flash fire that occurred during an Apollo 1 launch pad test at the Kennedy Space Center.

Also inducted into the 2009 Class of the National Aviation Hall of Fame was astronaut Eileen Collins, the Air Force's first female flight instructor and the first female Space Shuttle commander.

From the Wright Brothers, to the Apollo program crews, to our Shuttle astronauts, America should pause to reflect upon the bravery, sacrifice and service of our aviation pioneers. They have inspired us not only to reach higher, but also to dream that anything is possible.

H. CON. RES. 131, DIRECTING THE AOC TO ENGRAVE "IN GOD WE TRUST"

**HON. DANIEL E. LUNGREN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 22, 2009*

Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Con. Res. 131, directing the Architect of the