

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ELTON GALLEGLY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. GALLEGLY. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3288, the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010:

Requesting Member: Representative ELTON GALLEGLY

Bill: H.R. 3288—the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Transportation & Community & System Preservation

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Thousand Oaks

Address of Requesting Entity: 2100 Thousand Oaks Boulevard, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362

Description of Request: This request of \$500,000 is for a project to widen the US-101 and SR-23 Interchange from the Los Angeles/Ventura County line to Moorpark Road (US-101) and Hillcrest Drive (SR-23). The proposed improvements include the extension of existing auxiliary lanes in both directions, conversion of auxiliary lanes to mixed-flow lanes, addition of a northbound lane, realignment and widening of ramps at the interchange, and the construction of soundwalls and retaining walls. The improvements are necessary to relieve congestion along the 101 and 23 Freeways in the City of Thousand Oaks. The California Department of Transportation recently began the three-year project to widen the Route 23 Freeway connecting to the 101/23 Interchange. Completion of the improvements is crucial to achieve the congestion benefits of the project. The Ventura County Transportation Commission considers both improvements as two integral parts of a single congestion relief project. Since the freeway widening is now underway, the interchange improvement needs to move forward without delay. The bill provides \$500,000 in funding for this project request.

Requesting Member: Representative ELTON GALLEGLY

Bill: H.R. 3288—the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration, Grade Crossings on Designated High Speed Rail Corridors

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: SCRRA-Metrolink

Address of Requesting Entity: 700 So. Flower Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017

Description of Request: This requests of \$2,000,000 will be used for an important project that enhances safety at highway-rail grade crossings through the construction of grade crossing safety improvements, including median barriers, four-quadrant gates at crossings, fencing at strategic points, traffic signal

system upgrades, additional traffic signage, and street striping improvements. These safety enhancements will take place at crossings in the Simi Valley and Moorpark areas in Ventura County. The objective is to reduce the opportunity for accidents in the corridor.

Within my congressional district, there are fourteen highway-rail crossings needing funding along the Ventura County Line, with two projects currently underway. In 2005, Metrolink, in partnership with cities throughout Los Angeles and Ventura Counties, developed the Sealed Corridor program to improve safety at highway-rail grade crossings. The first in the nation, the Sealed Corridor program takes a systematic approach and performs on-site diagnostics to identify grade crossing enhancements to reduce and eliminate accidents involving vehicles and pedestrians. Grade separation costs range from \$20 to \$70 million and with 464 at-grade crossings on the Metrolink system, funding to grade separate all crossings is unlikely. The Sealed Corridor approach is a cost-effective alternative that will improve rail safety through a comprehensive strategy to enhance the safety of trains, passengers, motorists, and pedestrians in the areas serviced by Metrolink. The bill provides \$750,000 in funding for this project.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. JOHN ABNEY CULBERSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 23, 2009

Mr. CULBERSON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3293, the FY2010 Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act:

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN CULBERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration account

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: M.D. Anderson Cancer Center; 1515 Holcombe Boulevard, Unit 169; Houston, TX 77030

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$1,000,000 to the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center for equipment, supplies, and production at the Center for Cancer Immunology. This Center is utilizing innovations in immunotherapies and vaccinations to cure cancer.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN CULBERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration account

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Memorial Hermann Foundation, 9401 Southwest Freeway, Suite 1200; Houston, TX 77074

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000 to the Memorial Hermann Chil-

dren's Autism Program. This request will support comprehensive health care for children and families affected by autism. Clinical staff will conduct full assessments of patients, coordinate initial referrals for hospital outpatient testing, and conduct follow-up visits with patients and families to provide ongoing monitor of patient progress.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN CULBERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration account

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Memorial Hermann Healthcare System, 6411 Fannin; Houston, TX 77030

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$1,000,000 to the Memorial Hermann Healthcare System for upgrades to the Critical Level 1 Trauma Care Center. The purpose of this request is to purchase equipment at the Level 1 Trauma Center and expand existing adult and pediatric trauma care facilities. This equipment is critical to the Center's ability to serve its patient volume, which is the highest in the nation.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN CULBERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration account

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Rice University, 6100 Main Street, MS 603; Houston, TX 77005

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$150,000 to the Rice University BioScience Research Collaborative. This request is to purchase equipment for the BioScience Research Collaborative, dedicated to improving the diagnosis and treatment of human disease through biomedicine and drug development.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN CULBERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration account

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, 7000 Fannin, Suite 1550; Houston, TX 77030

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$150,000 to the Center for Translational Neuroinformatics at the University of Texas Health Science Center. The Center conducts innovative research to prevent and treat developmental and neurodegenerative diseases including autism, Alzheimer's and brain injury.

Requesting Member: Congressman JOHN CULBERSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3293

Account: Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration account

Legal Name and Address of Requesting Entity: Harris County Hospital District, 2525 Holly Hall; Houston, TX 77054

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$300,000 to the Harris County Hospital District for CHP Digital Radiology. The purpose of this request is to purchase direct-capture digital imaging devices. This equipment will enhance clinical work flow, patient treatment and increase the productivity of imaging technologies.