is an important education program for our community.

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Account: IMLS

Project Name: Cabot's Pueblo Museum

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Desert Hot Springs

Address of Requesting Entity: 65950 Pierson Boulevard, Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240 Amount: \$100,000

Description of Request: Funds will be used for preserving artifacts and modern museum collection care at the Cabot's Pueblo museum. Cabot's Pueblo is a unique Hopi-inspired structure handmade by local resident Cabot Yerxa over 24 years. It includes 35 rooms, 150 windows and 65 doors, all crafted from found materials. The museum houses Cabot's collection of Native American pottery, early 20th century photographs and artifacts from his Alaskan adventures. The museum grounds, including a picnic area, are landscaped with native plants and home to many rustic period items-early 1900's tools, machinery and household goods. Project goals also include development of diverse learning programs that provide a greater opportunity for appreciation of regional and natural heritage.

Requesting Member: Congressman JERRY LEWIS

Account: IMLS

Project Name: Yucaipa Library

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: City of Yucaipa

Address of Requesting Entity: 34272 Yucaipa Boulevard, Yucaipa, CA 92399–9950 Amount: \$100,000

Description of Request: In a time when residents are relying more on the city's public services, growth in the library usage calls for enhancement of materials and technology. Funds will be used to expand library collections and upgrade technology.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. MANZULLO. Madam Speaker, on Monday, July 20, 2009, I was unable to return to Washington in time to vote because of flight delays at O'Hare International Airport. If I was here, I would have voted "no" on rollcall No. 593, "yea" on rollcall No. 594, and "yea" on rollcall No. 595.

HONORING DR. GRAY MULTER

### HON. ERIC J.J. MASSA

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. MASSA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a friend and scientist, Dr. Gray Multer. Gray was a marine geologist who dedicated his life to the study and preservation of marine ecosystems.

Born in Syracuse, New York, Gray earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Syracuse University. After receiving his Ph.D.

from Ohio State University, he was a Professor of Geology for 30 years, first at the College of Wooster and then at Fairleigh Dickinson University as the chair of its geology department.

During his life, Gray authored or co-authored over 70 scientific publications, as well as several books. In 2008, he was awarded an honorary membership from the International Society for Reef Studies for his distinguished research and service to society.

Gray was known for his warm demeanor and strength of character, always a teacher dedicated to instilling a love of learning in his students. He also volunteered with Habitat for Humanity in his spare time.

It is to Gray's life and work that I would like to dedicate my sponsorship of the Ocean Conservation, Education and National Strategy for the 21st Century Act, as well as the Tropical Forest and Coral Conservation Act.

As Gray recognized, the protection and restoration of marine ecosystems is tremendously important in order to halt their irreversible loss. In his memory, I hope that my support for these bills will benefit the ecology of our oceans and help preserve them for future generations.

HONORING CEDAR HILL CITY COUNCILMAN GREG PATTON

## HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. MARCHANT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant and friend of Cedar Hill, Greg Patton. Mr. Patton served on the Cedar Hill City Council from 2000 until 2009. Throughout his nine years on the council, Mr. Patton exemplified the true meaning of public service by always prioritizing the needs of others first. With his retirement from the council, Mr. Patton will be sorely missed but I am confident his presence will continue to shine in Cedar Hill.

In addition to his council duties, Mr. Patton served as a member and chair of the Southwest Dallas County Transportation Committee, served on the National League of Cities Steering Committee for Transportation and Infrastructure Services, and served as an active participant in the River of Trade Corridor Coalition.

Prior to his council tenure, Mr. Patton chaired the Joe Pool Lake Planning Council which resulted in the last lake built in North Texas and the creation of Lake Joe Pool State Park. During the same time, he also served as commissioner and then as chairman of the Cedar Hill Planning and Zoning Commission.

A familiar face in the Cedar Hill community, Mr. Patton is an active member of the Cedar Hill Church of Christ and a member of the Cedar Hill Lions Club. He is also a regular volunteer at the Cedar Hill Food Pantry and served for twenty years on the Cedar Hill Volunteer Fire Department from 1977 until 1997. Among his many other accomplishments, Mr. Patton was the chair of the 1975 City Charter Committee for Cedar Hill.

Mr. Patton's wife, Linda, and two children all deserve a special thank you for allowing him to spend so much time dedicated to the betterment of Cedar Hill. Mr. Patton also has one granddaughter and three grandsons.

Distinguished colleagues, please join me in honoring Greg Patton's tireless passion, proven commitment, and years of admirable service to the growth and success of Cedar Hill. I am proud to join the Cedar Hill community in saluting Greg for all of his hard work, and I wish him the best in the next chapter of his life.

HONORING HEIDI REITZ OF SARTELL, MINNESOTA AS AN ANGEL OF ADOPTION

#### HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mrs. BACHMANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Heidi Reitz of Sartell, Minnesota, one of this year's Angels of Adoption. As you know, this prestigious award from the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute honors people who have given so much of themselves to help children and families find one another.

Even without this award, Heidi would deserve acknowledgment for her extraordinary work bettering the lives of orphans in China as Director of Programs for Love Without Boundaries. I am honored, as a foster mother myself, to make known her hard work to this Congress. Because of Heidi's volunteer efforts, more than 300 children are in loving homes.

The inspiration for her tireless dedication can be found in her own home. Her husband has helped Love Without Boundaries with cleft palate surgeries and two of her six beautiful children were adopted from China. As a volunteer, Heidi has arranged trips for two cleft-lip orphans and helped start a cleft healing home where children awaiting surgery to correct this difficult condition can be properly cared for. Heidi is working to make sure each of these special children are adopted into homes ready and prepared to care for them.

Madam Speaker, Heidi Reitz has done such a service for all of mankind through her tireless dedication to orphan children in China. As families from every country wait to be united with their adopted parents and children, Heidi is giving them every opportunity to complete their family. The Love Without Borders website uses the anonymous quote, "To the world, you might be one person . . . but to one person you might be the world." To the hundreds of children and families, Heidi is "the world" and an Angel in Adoption Award is just a small way we can show our appreciation for her efforts

HONORING JUDY O'CONNOR

## HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday,\,July\,\,21,\,2009$ 

Mr. WU. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a woman who has dedicated 27 years to serving the labor community in Oregon.

Judy O'Connor joined the Northwest Oregon Labor Council as an office worker in 1982, and her skills and dedication to the union movement quickly led to her promotion to office manager. She joined the Office and Professional Employees International Union Local 11 and was an energetic advocate for office secretaries as part of OPEIU's executive committee.

Though she had no experience with the labor movement prior to joining the Northwest Oregon Labor Council, Judy became a tireless activist for union causes. She volunteered for political campaigns, coordinated the council's Speakers in the Schools program, and appeared before the Oregon legislature to testify for improved job safety. She also graduated from Union Counselor course at Labor's Community Service Agency and served as chair of the IBEW and United Worker's Federal Credit Union.

In 1998, Judy was the first woman elected to the position of the Northwest Oregon Labor Council's executive secretary-treasurer, heading the largest central labor council in Oregon. During her tenure as executive secretary-treasurer, she has led over 100 constituent unions in promoting workers' rights through times of economic growth and decline.

Judy will be retiring in September and plans to return to Montana, where she was raised. Oregon will be losing an important voice for workers, but I hope that Judy is able to have some well-earned relaxation. I want to thank her for her service to the labor community here in Oregon and wish her and her family all the best.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

# HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  $Tuesday, July\ 21,\ 2009$ 

Mr. TURNER. Madam Speaker, on rollcall No. 594, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

KOREAN WAR VETERANS RECOGNITION ACT

SPEECH OF

## HON. ENI F.H. FALEOMAVAEGA

of american samoa in the house of representatives Monday, July~20,~2009

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of House Resolution 2632 which encourages the display of the American flag on July 27 honoring National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day.

I want to commend Mr. CHARLES RANGEL of New York for introducing this important resolution further promoting the national recognition of the veterans who fought valiantly in the Korean war. I would also like to recognize the cosponsors for their strong support of House Resolution 2632.

From June 25, 1950, to July 27, 1953, American troops were involved in heavy combat on the Korean peninsula against the invading forces of North Korea and the People's Republic of China. For 3 grueling years, our troops battled alone many other nations' troops in defending the peninsula from being enveloped wholly by communism.

Today, there are rougly 2.3 million veterans still alive today. These men have served our

country at its time of greatest need and have protected our Nation's best interests. It is imperative that our Nation recognizes the service of these veterans and we must honor them with the raising of the American flag on July 27.

As a Vietnam war veteran myself, I personally appreciate the service of my fellow servicemen of the United States Armed Forces. I realize that the sponsor and my good friend Mr. Charles Rangel is also a veteran of the Korean war. He courageously led troops behind enemy lines for 3 days instead of surrendering to the enemy. It is necessary that we honor and remember many of those who fought bravely alongside my good friend. It is important that my fellow veterans from the Korean war are given the utmost respect for their valor and courage.

I would like to once again, thank Mr. CHARLES RANGEL and the cosponsors for creating and supporting this piece of legislation honoring the veterans of the Korean war by raising the American flag on July 27. I strongly urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE AP-PROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010

# HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, as a former judge who has had the misfortune of observing the life-shattering effects of crimes of sexual violence on the victims as well as their friends and families, I rise today to highlight the importance of the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs in supporting the victims in their recovery from these terrible crimes. An estimated 1 in 6 women will become a victim of sexual assault or rape in her lifetime; and the FBI ranks rape as the second most violent crime (second only to murder, which is classified as the most violent crime).

According to the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ), which conducts an annual crime survey of the nation's households, we have made some progress in the fight to end sexual and domestic violence over the last two decades. But statistics also suggest that we still have much work to do: at least 200,000 Americans are sexually assaulted each and every year, and only about 40 percent of rape victims ever come forward and report the attacks against them to the authorities, according to DOJ.

Research suggests that those who receive crisis intervention support and counseling services are more likely to cooperate with law enforcement in pressing charges against their attackers. That is why it is so important that we continue to support programs, such as the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs, which help ensure that rape victims (as well as their friends and family members) can receive the information and support services that are so vitally important in one's full recovery from an assault. The National Sexual Assault Hotline, accessible toll free around the clock at 800-656-HOPE, has helped more than 1.2 million callers since the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network (RAINN) created the telephone hotline in 1994. RAINN continues to operate this telephone hotline today, in partner-

ship with close to 1,100 affiliated rape crisis centers located in every state and the District of Columbia, as well as thousands of volunteers across the nation.

In 2006, RAINN also launched the National Sexual Assault Online Hotline, accessible at www.RAINN.org, which has helped close to 30,000 people since its inception. It is the first web-based hotline of its kind for rape victims, offering information and support to those who might be reluctant to pick up the telephone and dial for help. The online hotline, which RAINN created and operates with the assistance of staff at its headquarters in Washington, D.C. and volunteers located around the nation, is designed to reach additional populations (particularly teenagers, males, and even people living in rural, sparsely populated areas) who might not otherwise seek out necessary information and support.

Our colleagues in the Senate specifically recommended \$300,000 for RAINN to carry out the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs, which are federally authorized under Section 628 of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act, in fiscal year 2010. Appropriations leaders in this chamber, however, omitted to include a specific amount of funding for RAINN in the House version of the fiscal year 2010 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies Appropriations Act (H.R. 2847).

I will note, however, that the full House Appropriations Committee, during its consideration of H.R. 2847, did approve report language that is directed specifically at RAINN. This language, which is part of House Report 111-149, calls on the U.S. Department of Justice to continue supporting programs, including hotline programs, that facilitate the delivery of confidential recovery services to rape victims. The inclusion of this committee report lanquage is significant, as it signals Congress' intention that victims of sexual violence should continue to be able to access the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs and the other programs that Congress has authorized RAINN to carry out, with the support of the Office of Justice Programs at the U.S. Department of Justice.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank the members of the Appropriations Committee for accepting this report language, at the request of myself, Congresswoman WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and other members of this chamber. I also want to express my interest in continuing to work with the House and Senate leadership on a final version of the Commerce, Justice Appropriations Act that will ensure that RAINN receives the level of federal support that is necessary to continue operation of the National Sexual Assault Hotline programs in fiscal year 2010.

HONORING MARGARET SANGER

## HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mrs. LOWEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to submit an article highlighting the life and work of Margaret Sanger authored by Dr. Ellen Chesler, distinguished lecturer at Hunter College of the City University of New York and Director of the Eleanor Roosevelt Initiative on Women and Public Policy.