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CONGRATULATING DENNIS K. BURKE ON HIS INVESTITURE AS THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

**HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dennis K. Burke on his investiture as the United States Attorney for the District of Arizona.

I have had the honor of knowing and working with Dennis for many years on numerous issues. I have supreme confidence that his long and distinguished law enforcement career and record of public service will serve Arizona's 8 million residents extremely well as he faces his newest and most important challenge.

Most recently, Dennis held one of the most important behind-the-scenes roles in Arizona state government as Chief of Staff for Governor Janet Napolitano. He also assisted Napolitano in her transition to Secretary of Homeland Security, serving as a senior advisor. He also worked in the Arizona Attorney General's Office and as an Assistant U.S. Attorney in the District of Arizona, where he prosecuted drug trafficking cases and organized crime. In addition, Dennis has served in the Department of Justice, as a staff member on the Senate Judiciary Committee and at the White House.

Because of this truly impressive record of accomplishment and service, I was elated when President Barack Obama nominated Dennis earlier this year. Madame Speaker, please join me in congratulating Dennis Burke and wishing him well as he takes on the challenge of leading the District of Arizona as its newest U.S. Attorney.

HONORING TROUSDALE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL YELLOW JACKETS ON WINNING THE 2009 TSSAA CLASS 2A FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**HON. BART GORDON**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. GORDON of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2009 Trousdale County High School Yellow Jackets for winning the TSSAA Class 2A State Football Championship.

I congratulate these young men for their hard work and dedication. It takes teamwork and sacrifice from each individual for a team to succeed. The Yellow Jackets 12-1 season ended with them defeating the Buccaneers 13-7 in the Blue Cross Bowl on Saturday.

I commend Trousdale County High School Head Coach Kevin Creasy and Assistant Coaches Jackie Dillehay, Jason Dobbs, Brandon Eden, Hal Hailey, Ben Johnson, Adam Keeton, Steve McClain, and Ronnie White.

I congratulate each player of the 2009 Class 2A State Champion Yellow Jacket Football

Team: T.J. Seay, Jordan Harper, Tacola Seay, Hunter Murphree, Craig Brown, Dre Crenshaw, Brent Ford, Dillon Young, Joe Sanders, Devon Turczyn, Seth Calhoun, Josh Payne, Mack Sanders, Tyler Edwards, Marcelly Smith, Joey Cox, Garrett Crafton, Dakota Stovall, Demarius Smith, Kale Satterfield, Victor Hardwick, Spencer Minor, Alex Gregory, Kyle Gregory, Austin Bode, Chase Roberson, Zach Scruggs, Joseph Phillips, Kyle Satterfield, Mitch Merryman, Cody Belcher, Baylor DeLeusomme, Marty Bottom, Shawn Melton, Hunter Kelley, Michael Harper, David Minor, Jordan Holder, Ned Dias, Koryay Smith, and Ben Stadter.

HONORING JOHN WARREN COOKE—

**HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise to share with our colleagues the recent passing of John Warren Cooke, former speaker of the Virginia House of Delegates.

On November 28, 2009, I and many others around the Commonwealth were saddened to hear of the passing of former Speaker of the House of Delegates, John Warren Cooke.

Speaker Cooke served in the House of Delegates, representing much of the Middle Peninsula from 1942–79 and was its Speaker from 1968 until his retirement.

His dedication and service touched countless citizens of the Commonwealth not only through his work in the General Assembly, but also as publisher of the Gloucester-Mathews Gazette-Journal.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Speaker Cooke's family as we all mourn his passing.

HONORING TEXAS ATTORNEY  
DAVID GROVE

**HON. TED POE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. POE of Texas. Madam Speaker, today the Second District of Texas recognizes attorney David Grove for being awarded the Mickey F. Mehaffy Award from the Jefferson County Bar Association, given each year to honor an attorney for their exceptional pro bono work. He has worked tirelessly to help less fortunate citizens find representation in the court of law.

David was born in Midland and attended the Baylor University School of Law. In 1978, after spending a summer as a law clerk in Beaumont, he returned to Jefferson County as an Assistant District Attorney. He joined a private firm 6 years later and started his solo practice in 1999.

David always donated his time and attention to pro bono work, however, he saw the need for it escalate after the double shot of Hurricane Rita in 2005 and Hurricane Ike in 2008. Both of these hurricanes caused immense damage across Southeast Texas and Southwest Louisiana. This left many residents with damage claims against insurance companies who could not afford representation.

David is a leading advocate for the indigent, making sure they are treated fairly. He also donates a large amount of time to helping families through divorces or child custody cases. He realizes that some people do not have the resources available to defend themselves, their family, or their home, and he makes sure they have equal representation.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of the Second Congressional District and all of Southeast Texas, I want to congratulate David Grove for this wonderful accomplishment. Through his diligent efforts and dedication he has given a voice to many who thought they had none.

EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. SPENCER BACHUS**

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 10, 2009*

Mr. BACHUS. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding funding that I requested as part of the H.R. 3288, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Juvenile Justice

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Department of Public Safety

Address of Requesting Entity: Post Office Box 1511 Montgomery AL, 36102-1511

Description of Request: Provide \$150,000 for efforts to target the investigation, arrest, and prosecution of child sexual predators in the State of Alabama. Funding will be used for additional personnel and equipment. These funds will allow the investigation and prosecution of child sexual exploitation. The FY 1998 Justice Appropriations Act directed DOJ to create a national network of state and local law enforcement cyber units to investigate cases of child sexual exploitation; this funding will help the State of Alabama to fulfill that mission. The project's total budget is \$500,000. Specifically within the budget, \$225,000 will go toward permanent personnel salaries, \$110,600 for fringe benefits, \$75,000 for travel and training and \$25,000 for equipment. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs—Juvenile Justice Account. The Alabama Department of Public Safety will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Justice, Department of Justice, OJP—Byrne Discretionary Grants

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama Department of Public Safety

Address of Requesting Entity: Post Office Box 1511 Montgomery AL, 36102-1511

Description of Request: Provide \$1,000,000 for the Alabama Department of Public Safety/Alabama Bureau of Investigation Cyber Crimes Unit, Alabama Fusion Center and the University of Alabama at Birmingham will partner with Alabama District Attorneys Association in a multi-pronged approach to investigate

and prosecute financial cyber crimes within Alabama. Staff will be hired to conduct computer research and monitor the phishing sites, train law enforcement agencies in analysis and investigative techniques as related to phishing, and conduct analysis and investigation into leads generated by the UAB Computer Forensics Department. This project will protect citizens from predatory actions such as cyber scams. Not only will more criminals be brought to justice but the victims will have a better chance of recovering losses. This will help protect financial institutions against fraud and lessen potential demands on the FDIC fund. The project's total budget is \$3,215,585. Specifically within the budget, for the Alabama District Attorney's Association \$225,000 will go toward personnel, \$154,334 for fringe benefits, \$60,000 for travel, \$75,000 for supplies, \$237,100 for equipment and \$150,000 for other expenses; for the University of Alabama at Birmingham Association \$364,639 will go toward personnel, \$65,659 for fringe benefits, \$50,000 for travel, \$51,000 for tuition and health insurance, \$210,000 for equipment and \$289,997 indirect costs; and for the Alabama Department of Public Safety \$238,968 will go toward personnel, \$103,981 for fringe benefits, \$60,907 for travel, \$50,000 for supplies, \$200,000 for equipment and \$80,000 for other expenses. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs—Ju Byrne Discretionary Grants. The Alabama Department of Public Safety will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

Requesting Member: Congressman SPENCER BACHUS

Bill Number: H.R. 3288—the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Justice, Department of Justice, COPS-Meth

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Alabama District Attorney's Association—Office of Prosecution Services

Address of Requesting Entity: 515 South Perry Street Montgomery AL, 36104

Description of Request: Zerometh is Alabama's reaction to the destructive force of today's meth epidemic. Its purpose is to expose meth and its deadly consequences to teens and young adults (12–24). The goal is to stop a potential first-time user from ever trying the drug, while encouraging everyone to look for the warning signs and support treatment. The funding will be used to purchase media and develop presentations. Meth use is a national epidemic that requires attention at all levels, but education will be the critical step to slowing down the rate of addiction to the powerful job. Zerometh has a distinctly federal goal in its mission to educate young people as to the dangers of Meth and the impact it can have on their life. The project's total budget is \$1,000,000. Specifically within the budget, \$830,000 will go toward advertising and media expenses, \$50,000 for meth education presentations, \$55,000 for administration and training and \$65,000 for equipment, supplies and printing. This request is consistent with the intended and authorized purpose of the Department of Justice, COPS-Meth Account. The Alabama District Attorney's Association—Office of Prosecution Services will meet or exceed all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable.

# EARMARK DECLARATION

## HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, December 10, 2009

Mrs. EMERSON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the House Republican standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information in regards to H.R. 3288.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$650,000 for an environmental study, engineering design work, and construction work on Route 25 in Jackson, Missouri. The funds will be used to alleviate traffic and dangerous conditions on Route 25 between Jackson Trail and the city limits of Jackson, Missouri. The State of Missouri will provide 20% match. All federal funds received will be spent on Route 25 in Jackson, Missouri and will not be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for the expansion of four-lane highway south of Poplar Bluff, Missouri to south of Route 160. The funds would also be used to rehabilitate dangerous intersections on Route 67 at U.S. 160, as well as Missouri Highway 158. The State of Missouri will provide 20% match. All federal funds received will be spent on this project and will not be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to rehabilitate the Chester Bridge which transverses the Mississippi River from Perry County, Missouri to Randolph County, Illinois. The bridge is vital to the region's transportation needs. The State of Missouri will provide 20% to match the federal contribution. All federal funds received will be spent on rehabilitation of the Chester Bridge and will not be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Economic Development Initiatives

Requesting Entity: Washington County, Missouri

Address of Requesting Entity: 102 N. Missouri Street, Potosi, MO 63664

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$300,000 for renovations to make the Washington County, Missouri building accessible to individuals with disabilities. The Washington County building is outdated; many sec-

tions are inaccessible to individuals in wheelchairs. The federal funds would provide the means for Washington County to bring the building in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Surface Transportation Priorities

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 for right of way improvements and engineering design to the narrow portion of Route 63 in Phelps and Maries Counties. This project will improve the overall safety of the roadway. The State of Missouri will provide 20% to match the federal contribution. All federal funds received will be spent on right of way improvements and engineering design. None of these funds will be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: Transportation & Community & System Preservation

Requesting Entity: Missouri Department of Transportation

Address of Requesting Entity: 105 West Capitol, P.O. Box 270, Jefferson City, MO 65102–0270

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$500,000 to improve shoulders, as well as widen and straighten curves along Route 34 in Cape Girardeau and Bollinger Counties. This segment of Route 34 is heavily traveled by commuters and there are serious safety concerns with the roadway. The State of Missouri will provide 20% to match the federal contribution. All federal funds received will be spent on improving Route 34. None of these funds will be transferred to another project.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: OJP-Byrne

Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri Network Against Sexual Violence

Address of Requesting Entity: #69 Doctors' Park, Suite C, Cape Girardeau, MO 63703

Description of Request: To provide an earmark of \$200,000 to the Southeast Missouri Network Against Sexual Violence (SEMO NASV) to equip and staff an office in the Bootheel of Missouri to assist victims of domestic and sexual violence, as well as support local law enforcement investigations. SEMO NASV provides services to over 700 adult and child victims of sexual and physical abuse. The organization serves a 10-county region in Southeastern Missouri. It plays a vital role in the process of convicting sex offenders and provides counseling and other services to victims. The funds will be spent as follows: \$126,000 for personnel, \$59,000 for equipment, \$12,000 for office space, and \$3,000 for training and travel.

Requesting Member: Rep. JO ANN EMERSON  
Bill Number: H.R. 3288

Account: COPS-Meth

Requesting Entity: Southeast Missouri Drug Task Force

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 1763, Sikeston, Missouri 63801

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$200,000 to supplement and support operations of the Southeast Missouri Drug Task