HONORING THE SERVICE OF LIEUTENANT JAMIE C. FREDERICK OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

HON. FRANK A. LoBIONDO

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Mr. LoBIONDO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize LT Jamie C. Frederick for his service to the United States House of Representatives and for his fifteen years of service to our country in the United States Coast Guard

LT Jamie C. Frederick was assigned as Congressional Liaison Officer to the House in the Office of Coast Guard Congressional and Governmental Affairs in July 2007. As Congressional Liaison Officer, he worked directly with the Coast Guard's appropriations and authorizing committees to ensure the Service receives the necessary resources and legislative authorities to effectively execute its vital missions. Lieutenant Frederick served as the face of the Coast Guard here in the House and has sacrificed countless hours of time with his family to respond to Congressional requests and to accompany Members and staff as we travel to learn firsthand about Coast Guard missions and policies in the field.

In my roles as Chairman and Ranking Member of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Subcommittee, my staff and I relied on Lieutenant Frederick's tremendous familiarity and understanding of the needs, as well as operational missions, roles and responsibilities of the United States Coast Guard to conduct or oversight of the Service.

Lieutenant Frederick began his Coast Guard career after graduating from Dover High School in Dover Plains, New York. Following basic training in Cape May, New Jersey, he was assigned to the USCG Cutter BITTER-SWEET before he moved on to a three year assignment at Coast Guard Station Two Rivers, Wisconsin, where he served as a rescue boat coxswain, engineer and federal law enforcement boarding officer.

In October 1999, he was one of only 30 enlisted members selected to attend Coast Guard Officer Candidate School at the United States Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut, Upon graduation in 2000, he re-

Connecticut. Upon graduation in 2000, he received a commission as an ensign and was assigned to Coast Guard Sector Key West, Florida as an Operations Center Controller and Public Affairs Officer. While serving as the unit's Public Affairs Officer he earned back-to-back CDR Jim Simpson Awards for excellence

in media and public relations.

In 2002, he was selected to serve as the Aide to then Coast Guard Chief of Staff, Admiral Thad W. Allen. Admiral Allen is currently serving as the twenty-third Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard. Lieutenant Frederick was a key member of Admiral Allen's staff during the Coast Guard's transition to the Department of Homeland Security.

In 2004, Lieutenant Frederick was selected to command Coast Guard Station Cape Disappointment in Ilwaco, Washington. As the Commanding Officer, he was responsible for operations and readiness of the largest Search and Rescue and Law Enforcement Station in the Pacific Northwest with 7,100 square-miles of ocean, the treacherous Co-

lumbia River Bar, and 42 nautical-miles of the lower Columbia River. During his tenure as the Commanding Officer, the Station conducted over 800 search and rescue and 500 law enforcement cases. In 2006, he and his crew were awarded the Pacific Area Coast Guard Foundation Award for Heroism for a winter rescue of the 50-foot fishing vessel *Catherine M.*

Lieutenant Frederick was a finalist for the Witherspoon Inspirational Leadership Award, the highest leadership award in the USCG, in 2005 and was recognized as an Honorable Mention in 2006. It should also be noted that Lieutenant Frederick's military decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals, the Coast Guard Achievement Medal and a variety of other personal, team and unit commendations.

Lieutenant Frederick was recently selected for promotion to Lieutenant Commander and will attend Johns Hopkins University for a master's degree in communications beginning this fall. I know Lieutenant Frederick will excel in his studies. The critical work he has done in service to the Coast Guard and our nation is an example for all those that serve. I wish the best to him and his wife Kimberly and his children. Thank you, Lieutenant Frederick for a job well done.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. KEVIN McCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Mr. McCARTHY of California. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership guidelines on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I requested that were included as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman KEVIN McCarthy

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

Address of Requesting Entity: 1 Grand Avenue, San Luis Obispo, California 93407

Description of Request: \$250,000 was included for California Polytechnic State University Center, San Luis Obispo, to purchase student training equipment and establish educational outreach programs for the Center for Renewable Energy and Alternative Electric Transportation Technologies (CREATT). This Center will serve as an alternative energy testbed to develop, demonstrate, and validate new alternative energy technologies to reduce our dependence on foreign oil, reduce emission sources, and help the United States achieve better energy efficiency and energy independence.

TRIBUTE TO THOMAS W.L. KELLEY

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida. Madam Speaker, this communication is forwarded on behalf of the constituents of Congressional District Three and myself as we pay tribute to the life of Thomas W.L. Kelley. We are all saddened that Thomas is gone so soon but joyful that he has gone to be with his Heavenly Father.

On this occasion, we join with the immediate family and loved ones in saying farewell and praising God for his life. Thomas W.L. Kelley's tremendous character earned him the respect of his family, friends, and classmates at Juniata High School. As you experience this tremendous loss, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Kelley Family, especially Thomas' parents, Terry and Angela, and Thomas' siblings, Joey and Abbey.

I would also like to take this opportunity to extend my thoughts and prayers to Thomas W.L. Kelley's uncle, Nick Martinelli, who works in my Washington, DC office. I know this loss was extremely difficult for Nick, so I want him to know that his colleagues in Washington wish him the very best in the wake of Thomas W.L. Kelley's untimely passing.

We are happy to stand with everyone recognizing Thomas W.L. Kelley's life on Monday, July 13 at Hoenstine Funeral Home in Lewistown, Pennsylvania. There is an emptiness that only those who have lost a close relative can understand. May the sympathy of those who care make the sorrow of your heart less difficult to bear. Along with all residents of Congressional District Three, I extend my best wishes to you and your family in these difficult times—and I hope you will never hesitate to call on me or my staff if we may be of service in the future.

H. RES. 607 WHICH COMMEMO-RATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF APOLLO 11 MOON LANDING

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to cosponsor H. Res. 607, which commemorates the fortieth anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing. Apollo 11's successful mission was certainly a "giant leap for mankind," that should be a source of pride for all Americans.

One of my favorite quotes regarding the moon landing was penned by philosopher Ayn Rand in 1969: "Think of what was required to achieve that mission: think of the unpitying effort; the merciless discipline; the courage; the responsibility of relying on one's judgment; the days, nights and years of unswerving dedication to a goal; the tension of the unbroken maintenance of a full, clear mental focus; and the honesty. It took the highest, sustained acts of virtue to create in reality what had only been dreamt of for millennia."

Rand's words not only apply to the Apollo 11 mission but to all of the work of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). As a representative of the Gulf Coast of Texas, which is home to many of NASA's most significant triumphs, I have had the opportunity to meet many NASA employees. I have always been impressed by their professionalism and dedication to their mission.

In conclusion, I urge my colleagues to join me in celebrating the fortieth anniversary of the Apollo 11 mission to the moon by supporting H. Res. 607.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, to provide open disclosure pursuant to Republican standards on congressionally-directed funding, I am submitting the following information regarding funding that I support included in H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman PETE OLSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: O&M, Corps of Engineers

Name of Recipient: Port of Houston Authority

Address of Recipient: P.O. Box 2562, Houston, TX 77252

Description of Request: \$15,603,000 in funding would be used for operations and maintenance of the Port of Houston. The Port is the 7th largest container port in the United States and serves 50 million consumers within a 500-mile radius. In 2007, the Port of Houston provided \$285 billion in economic value, \$72 billion in personal income, and \$16.2 billion in Federal Taxes. It is also home to the second largest petrochemical complex in the world and the largest refinery in the United States.

Requesting Member: Congressman PETE OLSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Act. 2010

Account: Construction, Corps of Engineers Recipient: Harris County Flood Control Dis-

Address of Recipient: 9900 Northwest Freeway, Suite 220, Houston, TX 77092

Description: \$2,500,000 in funding for the Clear Creek Flood Control Project. The project on Clear Creek consists of 15.1 miles of channel rectification and a 500 acre-foot in-line detention from Dixie Farm Road to State Highway 288 and a 1,750 acre-foot detention basin. This project will provide lower flood risks to areas in the 22nd District of Texas. It is estimated the number of homes subject to the 1% (100 year) flood would be reduced from 3,380 to 1,130. Flood Risk Management is in the national interest by reducing loss of

life, injury and property destruction and reducing the flooding risks to Harris, Galveston, and Brazoria Counties.

Requesting Member: Congressman PETE OLSON

Bill Number: H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Construction, Corps of Engineers Name of Recipient: Port of Houston Author-

Address of Recipient: P.O. Box 2562, Houston, TX 77252

Description of Request: \$500,000 for additional construction by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. In order to keep the Port of Houston operating at full capacity, the Houston Ship Channel must be maintained. The increased natural shoaling has placed greater pressure on the Port's capacity to store and manage dredge material and without increasing capacity they will not be able to dredge the channel. Without this necessary funding, dredged material capacity will be unavailable and material will be pumped longer distances increasing the cost of dredging for the same volume of material dredged the previous year. This request is for additional construction.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 14, 2009

Mr. PUTNAM. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the FY 2010 Energy and Water Appropriations Act:

FL RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM

Requesting Member: Rep. ADAM PUTNAM Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Department of Energy's Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Biomass Account

Project Funding Amount: \$1 million

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: The University of Florida

Address of Requesting Entity: Institute for Food and Agriculture Sciences, Post Office Box 110180, Gainesville, FL 32611-0180

Description of Request: Promotes the development and production of bioenergy fuel sources to assist in the development of new energy technologies and improve existing energy efficiencies. The overall goal of this project is to decrease U.S. dependence on imported energy through the creation of renewable fuel sources, and is coordinated by the University of Florida's Florida Center for Renewable Chemicals and Fuel. Funding will aid in the development of renewable energy technologies through the integration of cost-effec-

tive research methods, the identification and funding of near-term R&D opportunities ripe for advancement, and by the creation of novel renewable energy systems.

TAMPA HARBOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

Requesting Member: Rep. ADAM PUTNAM (FL-12)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers, Operations and Maintenance (O&M)

Project Funding Amount: \$5,620,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: Army Corp of Engineers, 701 San Marco Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32207.

Description of Request: Army Corps of Engineers, annual Operation and Maintenance (O&M) funds are needed for periodic dredging in the 70 miles of federal channels in the Tampa Harbor, For FY 2010, the Army Corps' estimated capability is \$5,620,000, to include various sections of the Tampa Harbor project. with an emphasis on the upper harbor. The Tampa Harbor is a major shipping channel both for domestic and international trade, and of importance to national commerce. As Florida's largest cargo port, the Port of Tampa handles approximately 50 million tons of cargo per year. The Port of Tampa is also the largest economic engine in West Central Florida and the nation's 14th largest port in terms of short tons.

TAMPA HARBOR CONSTRUCTION

Requesting Member: Rep. ADAM PUTNAM (FL-12)

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Account: Corps of Engineers, Construction, General—Planning, Engineering and Design

Project Funding Amount: \$500,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Army Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: Army Corp of Engineers, 701 San Marco Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32207.

Description of Request: In January, 2008, the Army Corps of Engineers completed the draft General Reevaluation Report (GRR), which focuses on traffic congestion in the main Tampa Harbor channel, where extensive delays occur due to lack of adequate channel width. The Corps' GRR found that the ship channel is too narrow to allow for safe two way vessel traffic due to the introduction of new longer and broader cruise ships. The impacts associated with having a restriction of this nature include vessels waiting at berth or at the sea buoy while large cruise ships transit the channel. The GRR concurs with the Tampa Port Authority and the port community that the resulting congestion causes safety hazards and economic inefficiencies, and recommended widening select portions of the main channel. Therefore, \$500,000 is requested to complete Planning, Engineering and Design (PED).