5,005 square foot building that will accommodate Associate 92d & 141st Air Refueling Wings under Total Force Integration (TFI). This new facility will provide more space, closer proximity, and indoor maintenance for those who service and repair the refueling vehicle fleet in support of the flying mission. Right now, the Fuels Management Flight of 100 personnel rely heavily on 15 maintenance people who service and repair the refueling vehicle fleet in support of the flying mission. These people work in undersized, substandard, environmentally deficient facilities separated from each other.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPRO-PRIATIONS ACT, 2010

SPEECH OF

HON. DAVID WU

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 18, 2009

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2847) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes:

Mr. WU. Mr. Chair, I rise to express my opposition to the Nunes amendment. This amendment puts the salmon runs of the Sacramento River, which is the major run of Pacific salmon, in jeopardy of extinction and risks shutting down the Central Valley Project and State Water Project, affecting water supplies for farms and millions of Californians.

This amendment could halt all activity in California's major water infrastructure and would only serve to delay development of a long-term management plan for water resources. Mr. NUNES' proposal would send government agencies and partners back to the drawing board, inviting further litigation and greater intervention by federal courts. Moreover, the amendment would prevent us from finding consensus solutions for another year or more.

California water disputes have worsened over the last eight years as politically motivated water policies killed tens of thousands of salmon. Some of the water decisions made during that time were not based in science and have since been ruled illegal by federal courts and illegitimate by the Commerce Department's inspector general.

As a result of these short-sighted policies, California and Oregon have gone without commercial and recreational salmon fishing seasons for three of the past four years. These closures and limitations on fishing are completely unprecedented and have devastated both states' hunting and fishing industries, which together employ over 250,000 workers and contribute more than \$13.6 billion to state economies.

Our fisheries and coastal communities cannot afford to be subjected to politics. I reject the Nunes amendment wholeheartedly and ask my colleagues to do the same. EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. GREGG HARPER

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. HARPER. Madam Speaker, consistent with House Republican Earmark Standards, I am submitting the following earmark disclosure and certification information for one project authorization request that I made and which was included within the text of H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman GREGG HARPER.

Project: Advanced, Long Endurance Unattended Ground Sensor Technologies.

Project Amount: \$8 million

Account: Defense-wide (DoD); RDT&E; Special Operations Intelligence Systems Development.

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Mississippi State University.

Address of Requesting Entity: P.O. Box 6301, Mississippi State, Mississippi 39762.

Description of Request: A significant challenge in modern military operations is the ability to achieve and maintain real-time battlefield situational awareness. Achieving battlefield situation awareness requires the ability to robustly and persistently monitor the movements of the adversary in near real-time across a wide range of operational environments including foliage, mountainous, and urban terrain. This initiative is a follow-on effort to ongoing Mississippi State University Unattended Ground Sensor (UGS) research and development in support of the U.S. Special Operations Command (USSOCOM).

CONGRATULATING DIANA WHALEY AS A RECIPIENT OF THE FLOR-ENCE NIGHTINGALE MEDAL

HON. LINCOLN DAVIS

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES $Tuesday,\,June\,\,23,\,2009$

Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Diana Whaley of Rockwood, Tennessee, a registered nurse and American Red Cross Disaster Health Services Manager of the Knoxville Area Chapter. Ms. Whaley has dedicated her life to public health, committing herself to the education of her peers, the betterment of her patients and the protection of Americans in disaster situations.

For her courage and service, the International Committee of the Red Cross will honor Ms. Whaley this year with their prestigious Florence Nightingale Medal. This award is the highest international distinction that a registered nurse can receive from the Red Cross. Every two years, the Red Cross recognizes just 28 nurses in the world, with just three award recipients in the United States. Award recipients must have shown exceptional devotion to caring for the victims of a crisis, or have shown extraordinary service to public health and nursing education.

Recipients of this award often work as a Red Cross or Red Crescent nurse in challenging and, at times, dangerous environments, caring for the most vulnerable in times of crisis. The Medal is named after the founder of professional nursing, Florence Nightingale, and embodies the spirit of service by which we have all come to know the Red Cross.

I am proud, on the occasion of this preeminent award, to have the opportunity to commend the work of Diana Whaley, a great citizen of Rockwood, Tennessee. It is my privilege to honor Ms. Whaley for her work and lifelong dedication, and for reminding all of us of the power each of us has to improve the lives of the afflicted and the less fortunate.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DENNY REHBERG

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. REHBERG. 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. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010:

Requesting Member: Rep. DENNY REHBERG Bill Number: H.R. 2892

Account: Army NG

Name and Address: Montana Army National Guard, 1956 Mt Majo Street, Fort Harrison, Helena, MT 59636–4789

Description: An increased number of Periodic Health Assessments has led to serious overcrowding of waiting areas, exam rooms, treatment facilities and administrative areas at the Fort Harrison Troop Medical Facility in Helena, Montana. This overcrowding presents both a risk to patient safety and patient privacy as required by HIPAA. The \$1.75 million in funding will be used to expand and renovate the current facility to handle the increased patient load and improve both safety and patient privacy.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. ROSCOE G. BARTLETT

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

Mr. BARTLETT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the FY10 National Defense Authorization Act H.R. 2647. The list is as follows:

Bill Number: H.R. 2647

Account: Other Procurement, Army

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: AAI Corporation

Address of Requesting Entity: 124 Industry Lane, Hunt Valley, MD 21030-0126

Description of Request: Authorized \$2.5 million to field Shadow TUAS Training Aids, Devices, Simulators, and Simulations (TADSS) for Army National Guard. The TADSS consists of Shadow Crew Trainers, Launcher Part-Task Trainers, Air Vehicle Part-Task Trainers, and Interactive Multimedia Instruction. Shadow crews have specific requirements to maintain their proficiency and readiness, and the TADSS will help fulfill their training needs. Army National Guard units are being activated