

Assistant Chief Anderson graduated from Boone High School in 1973 and shortly thereafter joined the United States Army. Following six years of service as a military policeman with the Army, he returned to Boone and joined the police force in July of 1979. After serving six years as a desk officer and taking criminal justice classes at the Des Moines Area Community College Boone Campus, Mr. Anderson became a patrolman. In 1993 he was promoted to captain, and by 2002 Mr. Anderson had ascended to Assistant Chief of the Boone Police Department.

In addition to keeping the streets of Boone well protected, Assistant Chief Anderson has been a key figure in various local outreach projects, including the "Shop with a Cop" and "Safety Pup Officer" programs, which have helped educate the community about law and safety related issues.

With his retirement from the Police Department, Assistant Chief Anderson plans on spending more time with his wife, Maria, as well as his children and grandchildren. In true devotion to his community, even in retirement, Assistant Chief Anderson plans to work part-time for the Boone County Attorney's Office.

Madam Speaker, it is individuals like Don Anderson who exemplify the dedication and willingness to serve that keep our nation running safe and strong. I sincerely appreciate the work Assistant Chief Anderson has done and I am proud to serve him, his family and his fellow law enforcement colleagues in the United States Congress.

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SPEECH OF

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my support for H. Res. 1059, honoring the bravery and heroism of our local urban search and rescue teams for their lifesaving efforts in Haiti.

The earthquake of January 12, 2010 was a horrific event that wreaked untold devastation and tremendous loss of life on Port-au-Prince and its surrounding areas. In a matter of minutes, 200,000 people lost their lives. It was a sobering reminder of how fragile life is. The response, worldwide, to this awful tragedy has been a comforting reminder of our resilience and willingness to lend aid and hope to those in need.

The men and women of the Fairfax County, Virginia, New York City, Los Angeles, Miami, Miami-Dade and Virginia Beach urban search and rescue teams immediately left for Haiti, risking their own lives to save others. Day in and day out, these men and women serve their local communities, providing lifesaving care at home, but when there are people in great need, America's local urban search and rescue teams always rush to answer the call. During the initial days after the quake, these men and women brought relief to worried families and hope to an anxious nation with daily rescues from the rubble.

We should all be thankful for their efforts, and I am especially proud of Virginia Task Force 1 from Fairfax, which I represent. During its time in Haiti, Virginia Task Force 1 participated in the rescue of 16 people. While the untold loss of life was horrific, the efforts of all of our urban search and rescue teams made a difference.

I continue to offer my deepest sympathy to the people of Haiti as they cope with the aftermath of this terrible tragedy. I commend the heroic men and women of Virginia Task Force 1, and all our urban search and rescue teams, for so richly embodying the American spirit that says if you are in need, we will help. I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. RODNEY ALEXANDER

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 24, 2010

Mr. ALEXANDER. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2010, H.R. 3326.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

H.R. 3326

RDTE, AF

Louisiana Tech University, 700 W. California Ave, Ruston, LA 71272

Remote Language—Independent Suspect Identification \$2,560,000. Louisiana Tech University seeks funding for research in remote language-independent suspect identification. Our researchers have developed technologies that use mathematical models for identity verification. Aspects of this work have been commercialized in the private sector. The University has worked with the Air Force and industry partners in further development of the algorithms and software for military applications. These funds will support our faculty and partners identified by the Air Force in extending the development of these algorithms.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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RDTE, A

Pennington Biomedical Research Center, 6400 Perkins Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Military Nutrition Research: Four Tasks to Address Personnel Readiness \$800,000. Provide ongoing research to continue the Army's responsibility for military nutrition research across all branches of military service. The work focuses on the improvement of health and performance of the American Armed Forces.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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RDTE, N

C&C Technologies, Inc. 730 E Kaliste Saloom Rd., Lafayette, LA 70508

Semi-Submersible UUV for Sensor Enhancements \$1,400,000. The ideal vehicle for providing risk reduction for technology and operations is the unmanned semi-submersible vehicle. Rather than requiring costly and complex acoustic navigation and telemetry systems, semi-submersible unmanned vehicles

may be integrated with standard GPS and radio communication systems. This project also supports NOAA's Office of Ocean Exploration.

Congressman RODNEY ALEXANDER

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RDTE, N

QinetiQ-North America, 40201 Highway 190 East, Slidell, LA 70461

Sonobuoy Wave Energy Module (SWEM) \$800,000. The Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) is currently seeking alternatives to batteries as long-term energy sources for long life environmental and anti-submarine warfare sonobuoys. SWEM technologies have near term application to NAVAIR's Sensor for Environmental Assessment buoy project as well as to a wide range of evolving sonobuoy types and classes. SWEM power modules enable longer term, continuous operation of systems without battery replacement.

MICHAEL G. RIPPE

HON. CONNIE MACK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 24, 2010

Mr. MACK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Michael G. Rippe and the renaming of the Metro Parkway Extension in Fort Myers to the Michael G. Rippe Parkway.

Mr. Rippe earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mining Engineering Technology from the West Virginia Institute of Technology. He joined the Florida Department of Transportation in August 1989. From 2000–2004, he served as the Director of the Southwest Area Office. Throughout this time, Mr. Rippe was an integral part in keeping Florida's roads safe and efficient.

In 2004, Mr. Rippe was appointed Director of Transportation Development for Florida Department of Transportation, District One. His work contributed to the development of many roads and bridges in Southwest Florida. Mr. Rippe's contributions to the Department of Transportation have been a huge asset for my district and the entire state of Florida.

Throughout his career, Mr. Rippe had worked closely on many major highway and bridge projects. He assisted in resolving various design and construction issues with local government and private citizens. His work on U.S. 41 projects accelerated job schedules and saved millions of taxpayer dollars.

I would like to recognize Mr. Rippe for his numerous contributions to the citizens of Lee County, and I speak on behalf of all Floridians when I say that we are proud of his accomplishments. I strongly support renaming the Metro Extension Parkway in Lee County, Florida to the Michael G. Rippe Parkway.

Thanks to Mr. Rippe's commitment, the citizens and visitors of Southwest Florida will benefit from his lasting legacy of safe, modernized roads for many years to come. Madam Speaker, it is a true honor to represent dedicated public servants like Mr. Rippe in Congress.