CONGRESSMAN GUS M. BILIRAKIS, FL-9

FY 2010 APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS FOR LOCAL PROJECTS

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE

1. Florida Department of Law Enforcement/Silver Alert (\$100,000) (2331 Phillips Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308)

The funds would be used for the operation of the Florida Silver Alert Program, which helps locate missing seniors and others with dementia-related illnesses.

2. Hillsborough County/Methamphetamine Enforcement (\$250,000) (601 East Kennedy Boulevard, 26th Floor, Tampa, Florida 33602)

The funds would be used for the county's Methamphetamine enforcement and cleanup efforts.

3. Stetson University College of Law/Veterans Legal Clinic (\$1,100,000) (1401 61st Street South, Gulfport, Florida 33707)

The funds would be used to create a veterans clinic to provide legal services to veterans, which would include veterans claims appeals, wills, a website for veteran legal rights, as well as an online training course.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

1. Moffitt Cancer Center (Tampa)/National Functional Genomics Center (\$8,000,000) (12902 Magnolia Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612)

The funds would be used to conduct applied research for the discovery of molecular signatures for cancers and speed the development of new drugs based on individual molecular fingerprints.

2. University of Florida (Gainesville)/Florida Trauma Rehabilitation Institute for Returning Military Personnel (\$3,000,000)

(2151 West University Avenue, Gainesville, Florida 32603)

The funds would be used to conduct research and clinical trials on Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder to ensure the successful reintegration of injured military personnel into their families, communities, and jobs.

3. University of South Florida (Tampa)/Musculoskeletal Interdisciplinary Research (\$2,000,000) (4202 East Fowler Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33620)

The funds would be used to conduct multidisciplinary research to develop better methods for clinical management of injuries and autoimmune diseases.

ENERGY & WATER

1. Tampa Port Authority/Operations & Maintenance (\$5,620,000)

(1101 Channelside Drive, Tampa, Florida 34221)

The funds would be used for operation and maintenance needs in Tampa Harbor.

2. Tampa Port Authority

(1101 Channelside Drive, Tampa, Florida 34221)

"The Secretary shall reimburse the non-federal sponsor for the federal share of the dredging work on the Big Bend Channel."

INTERIOR

1. City of Clearwater/Wastewater and Reclaimed Water (\$2,200,000)

(112 South Osceola Avenue, Clearwater, Florida 33756)

The funds would be used for wastewater and reclaimed water infrastructure improvements.

2. City of New Port Richey/Street Stormwater System (\$2,475,000)

(5919 Main Street, New Port Richey, Florida 34652)

The funds would be used for street stormwater system improvements.

LABOR, HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, & EDUCATION

1. All Children's Hospital/Northern Pinellas Specialty Care Center (\$4,300,000)

(801 6th Street South, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701)

The funds would be used to develop a new specialty care center in northern Pinellas County. The facility would serve the therapeutic and medical needs of children from all socio-economic levels in Pasco, Pinellas, and Hillsborough counties.

2. BayCare Health System/Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Program (\$500,000)

(16255 Bay Vista Drive, Clearwater, Florida 33760)

The funds would be used to develop a Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) program to provide mental health, social and other services to those suffering from PTSD and their families, with an emphasis on newly-returning veterans.

3. Prevent Blindness Florida/Vision Screening Program (\$254,300)

(1112 East Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, Florida 33602)

The funds would be used for expansion of its statewide "See the Difference Vision Screening Program," which provides free monthly screening and consultative exams to economically-disadvantaged children and adults in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties.

4. University Community Hospital (Tampa)/Electronic Medical Records (\$800,000)

(3100 East Fletcher Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33613)

The funds will be used to implement electronic medical records throughout the UCH system to limit medical errors, improve patient care, and reduce health care costs.

5. University of South Florida/Cancer Clinical Trials Project (\$300,000)

(4202 East Fowler Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33620)

The funds would be used for the ongoing cancer clinical trials project which matches cancer patients with appropriate clinical trials.

6. Yes! of America United (Tampa)/ Disability Awareness and Training (\$75,000)

(4508 Stonehenge Road, Tampa, Florida 33624)

The funds would be used for its disability awareness and training program to expand access and opportunities for people living with disabilities.

TRANSPORTATION/HOUSING & URBAN DEVEOPEMENT

1. City of Tampa/Cross Creek Road (\$6,000,000)

(315 East Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, Florida 33602)

The funds would be used for widening Cross Creek Road, which is an existing two-lane, undivided, functionally classified collector road in the New Tampa area to a proposed four-lane divided highway to ease traffic congestion.

2. Hillsborough Community College/Brandon Campus Improvement (\$2,000,000) (39 Columbia Drive, Tampa, Florida 33606)

The funds would be used to make building improvements which would increase safety and energy efficiency.

3. Pasco County/U.S. 19 Right Turn Lanes (\$9,530,000)

(West Pasco Government Center, 7530 Little Road, Suite 340 New Port Richey, Florida 34654)

The funds would be used to add continuous right turn lanes within the existing right-of-way on U.S. Highway 19 from State Road 52 to the Pinellas County line. This section of U.S. Highway 19 is considered one of the most dangerous roads in America according to a 2005 study.

4. Pinellas County/Beckett Bascule Bridge Replacement (\$1,100,000) (315 Court Street, Clearwater, Florida 33756)

The funds would be used for the project design and engineering costs associated with the replacement of the Beckett Bascule Bridge in Tarpon Springs.

5. The Central City Community Development Corporation/Veterans & At-risk Youth Housing (Tampa) (\$750,000) (2826 North Central Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33602)

The funds would be used to provide housing, retail, and other services to veterans and at-risk youth in the Tampa Heights area.

Total local projects requested: 21

Total dollar amount of local project requests: \$50,354,300