



The 110th Congress
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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Chairman David Obey
House Appropriations Committee
H-218, the Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Ranking Member Jerry Lewis
House Appropriations Committee
1016 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Obey & Ranking Member Lewis:

I am requesting \$500,000.00 for Fort Payne Coal and Iron Building in fiscal year 2010. The entity to receive funding for this project is City of Fort Payne, located at 100 Alabama Ave NW Fort Payne, AL 35967-2052. The funding would allow Fort Payne to create the construction documents, let bids, and begin the phased rehabilitation of an important landmark. The building will house a cultural center, which will serve the entire county. Taxpayer Justification: This building is located in the Fort Payne Boom Town Historical District (National Register #88000444), and upon completion of renovation, will be a valuable asset in stimulating cultural tourism and raising awareness of our heritage.

I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any direct financial interest in this project.

Also, I hereby certify that this request will be made publicly available on my Official Website as required by Chairman Obey's new Committee policy that only posted requests will be considered.

Consistent with the Republican Leadership's policy on earmarks, I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge this request (1) is not directed to an entity or program that will be named after a sitting Member of Congress; (2) is not intended to be used by an entity to secure funds for other entities unless the use of funding is consistent with the specified purpose of the earmark; and (3) meets or exceeds all statutory requirements for matching funds where applicable. I further certify that should this request be included in the bill, I will place a statement in the Congressional Record describing how the funds will be spent and justifying the use of federal taxpayer funds.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert B. Aderholt".

Robert B. Aderholt