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WOLF: FY 2004 SPENDING BILL PROVIDES FUNDING FOR SEVERAL PROJECTS
IN FAIRFAX COUNTY

Washington, D.C. - Funding for several programs and projects in Fairfax County was included in the massive spending bill approved by the House on Monday, according to Rep. Frank Wolf (R-10th).

Wolf, a senior member of the Appropriations Committee, said the bill includes:

- * \$500,000 for Inova Fairfax Hospital's Life with Cancer Family Center for construction of a resource center to meet the growing needs of patients and families dealing with cancer.
- * \$200,000 for the Medical Care for Children Partnership to provide outreach to increase access to medical and dental care for children.
- * \$ 200,000 for Healthy Families Fairfax to provide support for first-time parents, including throughout the mother's pregnancy and birth of her child, and until the child is ready to enter kindergarten. It trains at-risk parents to become loving, nurturing parents.
- * \$100,000 for LINK to provide food and financial assistance directly to people in need.
- * \$200,000 for the Wolf Trap Education Network to provide early learning of the arts for at-risk preschoolers.

Wolf said while the Senate will not take action on the FY 2004 omnibus appropriations bill until January, it cannot alter the spending plan because it is a conference report, meaning the final version of the plan was settled on by House and Senate negotiators and cannot be amended once it is sent to the floor of each respective body.

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