



Congressman Bud Cramer

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As 2006 comes to a close and we celebrate all that our community has accomplished over the past year, I wish you and your family a joyous holiday season and the very best for the new year.

Bud Cramer

News From Across The 5th District

This month, officials from Boeing and Lockheed Martin finalized an agreement to officially form the United Launch Alliance. As a result, North Alabama is now the sole manufacturer of both the Boeing Delta rockets and the Lockheed Atlas rockets. Cramer said, "This finalized agreement is a testament to our superior workforce and dedicated community."

News From Washington

Representative Cramer was reappointed this month to serve on the House Appropriations Committee in the 110th Congress. Cramer has been a member of the House Appropriations Committee since 1998. It is one of four exclusive committees in the U.S. House of Representatives, and is responsible for providing funds for all areas of the federal government as well as vital programs that help meet the needs of the nation.

Representative Cramer also met this month with members of the Iraq Study Group to learn additional details on the Group's recommendations for Iraq. Cramer said, "I hope this report will be a catalyst for bipartisan discussions on how our country should address the War in Iraq."

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Finally this month, on the last day of the 109th Congress, the House approved legislation that helps ensure continued medical care for North Alabama's seniors. This legislation prevents a 5.1 percent cut in Medicare reimbursements to physicians, which would have gone into effect in 2007.

The House also approved legislation that extends a number of tax provisions that will expire at the end of this year. These extensions include, among others, a research and development credit for businesses, a state sales tax credit, a higher education expenses deduction, and a combat pay treatment for earned income credit.

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