



News from Congressman **TOM REYNOLDS**

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Reynolds details \$200,000 for Rochester technology firm *Funding will be used to develop advanced security cameras*

U.S. Representative Thomas M. Reynolds, R- Clarence, was in Rochester today, where he announced that P&L E-Communications (PLE) has received \$200,000 in federal funding he secured. The funding is part of the 2005 Defense spending bill, and will be used to develop high tech security camera software for use by the military.

"This cutting-edge technology will be used by our military personnel around the world, ensuring that they are equipped with the best tools possible to carry out their mission," Reynolds said. "Furthermore, our local community will benefit from having this developed right here in the Rochester area. That means jobs and positive news for our local economy."

The funding will be used for the testing, evaluation, and modification of the "Smart Camera System" software, which was first developed by researchers at the University of Rochester. The software, which can be installed in new or older camera systems, enhances the quality of video and infrared camera sensors, which are used by the military for a variety of missions and security around the world.

"Accurate, state-of-the-art cameras are an integral part of the modern military, and thanks to PLE and the University of Rochester, our armed forces will have the tools they need," Reynolds said. "At this point in our nation's history, we are keenly aware of the need to make certain that our troops are the best-trained and best-equipped in the world. And this technology will provide our military with enhanced detection capabilities."

"We are very excited to be able to take the cutting-edge research being done at the U of R and get it out to people where it can be used in a tangible way, especially when it can be used to protect our country," said Lisa Gruspier, owner of P&L E-Communications. "And we are grateful that Congressman Reynolds saw the potential of this technology, and was able to secure funding for PLE and our community."

PLE's core business is research, design, and development of homeland defense and security surveillance technology.

"This investment is good news for our area and our economy," Reynolds said. "I'm pleased I was able to deliver this funding for PLE and our community."