

**Summary for projects submitted to the Appropriations Committee for the FY10
Appropriations Cycle**

The proposed recipient: The Metropolitan Museum of Art

Address of the recipient: 1000 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10028

The amount of the request: \$750,000

Purpose of the project and why it is a good use of taxpayer funds: The Metropolitan Museum is currently in the midst of multi-year, multi-million dollar effort to completely renovate its American Wing. With the anticipated reopening of the renewed painting galleries in early 2011, curators and conservators are examining each and every work of art within the collection to engage in treatment of works requiring care, and in some cases, new framing. One of the paintings being restored is the historic *Washington Crossing the Delaware* which will undergo much-needed conservation and reframing under the guidance of Museum experts. This restoration will help preserve our Nation's history.