Mr. Speaker, at

this historic moment when Congress

and the American people stand united

behind the President, our Commander

in Chief, as America prepares to reclaim

its security and punish the murderers

who struck our Nation this

week, I ask unanimous consent that it

shall be in order at any time without

intervention of any point of order to

consider in the House, House Joint

Resolution 64, to authorize the use of

United States Armed Forces against

those responsible for the recent attacks

launched against the United

States;

The joint resolution shall be considered

as read; the previous question

shall be considered as ordered on the

joint resolution to final passage without

intervening motion except, one, 5

hours of debate on the joint resolution,

equally divided and controlled by the

chairman and ranking minority member

of the Committee on International

Relations; and two, one motion to recommit;

and, upon passage of the joint

resolution, the House shall be considered

to have passed Senate Joint Resolution

23.

Mr. Speaker,

this great Nation is a Nation made

from many origins but with a national

identity and a national cohesion, a nationhood,

which is almost unprecedented

in the history of the world. Yet

American patriotism is not threatening

to others. Americans seek to do

no harm to the rest of the world. Quite

the contrary. Repeatedly, Americans

have gone to the aid of others whose

sovereignty and freedom have been

kidnapped by tyrants.

America is a peaceful and free Nation;

and we intend to pass on that

peace and freedom to our children so

that they, in turn, may bequeath it to

their children.

America is free and secure because

each generation has made certain to

preserve our freedom and our security

for the next generation. There can be

no freedom without security, just as

security without freedom is the essence

of dictatorship, something that this

Nation, thanks be to God, has never

known and will never know.

It is now this generation’s turn, Mr.

Speaker, this generation’s responsibility

to preserve freedom and security

for our posterity, and our commander

in chief, our Armed Forces, and this

entire Nation will not fail.