Mr. Speaker, we must

pass this resolution and give the President

all the power he needs to stop the

slaughter of innocent Americans from

happening again. The evil men who orchestrated

this attack have shown that

they will stop at nothing. Their goal is

to kill as many Americans as they can.

If they ever get their hands on chemical,

biological, or even nuclear weapons,

they will use them. Let no one

doubt it. We are at war, a war to save

innocent Americans from the specter of

grisly death by the weapons of mass destruction.

But it is not a war against Muslims

or against Arabs. Many of our Arab and

Muslim Americans came to the United

States to get away from the very same

type of extremists as those who attacked

our country. In the past few

days, my office has received an outpouring

of deeply sympathetic support

and condolences from people in many

Islamic countries around the world.

As our great Nation pulls together,

let us be careful not to turn to hate or

stereotyping. Justice must and will be

carried out, but it will be against those

who deserve it, the savage radical terrorists,

not against our fellow Arab and

Muslim citizens and friends here and

around the world.

In that spirit, I urge my colleagues

to pass this resolution unanimously.