Mr. Speaker, I thank the

gentleman for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, during the dawning

days of this great Republic, one of our

founding architects uttered these

words:

That these were the days that try

men’s souls. The summer soldier and

the sunshine patriot will in this crisis

shrink in the service of their country,

but he that stands it now deserves the

love and the thanks of every man and

every woman. Tyranny, like hell, is not

easily conquered, yet in that we have

this consolation; and that consolation

is that the more difficult the battle,

the more glorious the triumph. Those

things which we obtain too easily we

esteem too lightly. So it would seem

strange, indeed, Mr. Speaker, if so celestial

an article as freedom were not

highly prized.

Mr. Speaker, I offer that tonight as it

be as applicable on this resolution as it

was on the resolution that Thomas

Paine wrote it for.