Mr. Speaker, with

this vote of resolve and unity, we become

stewards of the American values

expressed so eloquently 40 years ago by

a new President, John F. Kennedy,

Today a new President and a new

generation are handed the torch of liberty

that has been kept alight by the

untold sacrifices of past generations of

Americans.

Those terrorists who now challenge

the will and values of this generation

of Americans will soon find out that

the awesome power of our military

might well be matched only by our tenacious

national unity in defending

Americans’ life and liberty.

In this vote and in our prayers, we in

Congress speak for the American family,

in strong support of our Commander

in Chief and say, yes, we too

will ‘‘pay any price, bear any burden,

meet any hardship,’’ and ‘‘oppose any

foe’’ to protect our land of liberty.