Mr. Speaker, I rise in

support of the resolution before us to

give our Commander in Chief and

President the authority to use military

action against these cowards who made

such an unprecedented evil attack

against the United States of America.

We must respond to terrorism and respond

swiftly, not only to the terrorists,

but as the President so accurately

said, to anyone who would harbor terrorists

anywhere in the world, whether

they be countries or individuals.

As a member of the Committee on

Armed Services, I have confidence in

the men and women who serve this

country in uniform. They are the

smartest, the brightest, the most well

equipped and well trained fighting

force in the world. I have confidence in

the Commander in Chief and the national

security team to make sure that

we are successful in this effort. But we

must be patient and understand that

we need a broad and sustained campaign

in order to win the battle on terrorism.

Mr. Speaker, I believe standing together

as a Nation, and this is the most

united I have ever seen this House in 9

years, I believe we will win this battle.

God bless America.