Mr. Speaker, I, along

with a number of my colleagues from

New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut,

visited what is now known as

ground zero in New York’s lower Manhattan,

the site where the two proud

buildings of the World Trade Center

once stood. I watched on the faces of

those who were working and those who

were volunteering. And while there was

sadness in their eyes, there was a determination

in their movement, in

their step, and in their actions. There

was a commitment on their part to

hold together and to band together and

to do what needs to be done in that

Herculean effort in trying to move the

tons of rubble and steel to look for the

precious body that still may be gasping

for air and waiting for arrival of those

to come to help them. I stood with

those who were working, and I understood

their pain in their heart and the

sadness in their face but the determination

that they have to make sure

that those who perpetrated this crime

never do it again, not to us but not to

anyone in the world.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support this

resolution tonight. But, more than

that, I rise as a proud American with

all of my colleagues here in this House

and all Americans throughout this

country. We will find those who have

done this and bring them to justice.