Mr.

Speaker, while we are here in the

United States, and I am privileged and

honored that we are comforted by our

flag, our values, and the fact that we

can live in peace and security, Mr.

Speaker, there are those who are fighting

for freedom all over the world, but

in this instance in the Mideast, and

they are dying as we speak.

We had the uprising in Egypt and

Yemen and Bahrain. Bahrain is moving

people out of the streets. But then you

move to Libya and people are dying.

Today I stood with a mother who

lives in the United States, and her Libyan

American son, who was born here,

is lost in Libya. At first she thought he

was dead, but she is looking to see

whether or not there is news that he

was only wounded. Even so, he was not

in battle. He was providing food to

those who needed the food, and yet he

was brought down.

It is important that we not enter a

war, but that we create with our allies

a no-fly zone. Otherwise, Qaddafi is

going to slaughter the people of Libya.

Where is our heart? Where is our compassion?

As we seek to bring our heroic soldiers

home from Afghanistan who have

fought for peace and freedom, let us

not forget those who stand unarmed almost

in their civilian clothes fighting

against tyranny. We must have a no-fly

zone. We cannot tolerate the slaughter.

We must stand for peace.