Mr. Speaker, some Members of Congress

are proposing legislation that would attempt to develop a new military

strategy for our troops in Iraq. This meddling by politicians ties the

hands of our capable military. We should trust in the leadership of GEN

David Petraeus and not second-guess his efforts to protect American

families.

Senator Joe Lieberman, former Democratic Vice Presidential candidate,

recently said,

Failing to secure Iraq will provide a fertile ground for terrorist

safe havens, threatening America and our allies. Osama bin Laden and

Zawahiri have both stated that Iraq is a central front in the global

war on terror. We must stop the terrorists overseas and not face them

again in the streets of America.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget

September the 11th.