Mr. Speaker, in the spring of 1970, during my first term

as Town Supervisor of Green Island, I testified against the War in

Vietnam at a Congressional Field Hearing in Schenectady, New York.

Several months after that testimony, my brother, HM3 William F.

McNulty, a Navy medic, was killed in Quang Nam Province.

I have thought--many times since then--that if President Nixon had

listened to the voices of reason back then, my brother Bill might still

be alive.

As a Member of Congress today, I believe that the Iraq War will

eventually be recorded as one of the biggest blunders in the history of

warfare.

In October 2002, I made a huge mistake in voting to give this

President the authority to take military action in Iraq. I will not

compound that error by voting to authorize this war's continuation.

On the contrary, I will do all that is within my power to end this

war, to bring our troops home, and to spare other families the pain

that the McNulty family has endured every day since August 9, 1970.