Mr. Speaker, by vetoing this bill, the President refuses

to sustain the troops that we have sent to Iraq. Every dollar they

need, every ounce of protection they need, and the health care they

need when they come home is in this bill that he has vetoed. We refuse

to sustain a failed, endless policy that takes us nowhere.

The President refuses to acknowledge the reality that we have sent

our sons and daughters to be referees in a bloody civil war. We

acknowledge that reality, and we want to stop it.

The President refuses to acknowledge the comments of General

Petraeus, who says that ending this civil war is a political mission,

not a military one. We acknowledge that reality, and we provide the

tools to achieve success in that political mission.

Today the President has refused to acknowledge the will of the

American people, but we are expressing the will of the American people.

We will vote to override this veto, and the result will obtain. But

we will never yield, never quit, never back up in this effort to change

this failing policy and bring our troops home from Iraq.

Vote to override this veto.