Mr. Speaker, Veterans Day marks the 87th anniversary of

the armistice ending World War I. On this date we honor the soldiers,

sailors, marines, and aviators who have protected the United States in

times of war.

Today, we are again a Nation at war; 2,058 American military

personnel have now given their lives fighting in Iraq; 247 Americans

have fallen in Afghanistan.

This Veterans Day we must honor those who have served, those who have

been wounded, and those who have fallen.

For this reason, I have introduced a resolution, with 73 cosponsors,

honoring each of the fallen from Iraq and Afghanistan by name.

I have also led a bipartisan group of 21 Members of Congress in

reading the names of the fallen into the Congressional Record. Tonight,

we continue this tribute with the names of the most recently fallen,

completing all 2,300.

God bless each of the brave Americans, men and women, whose memory we

honor tonight; and their families are in our prayers.

Sergeant Eric A. Fifer, Private 1st Class Nicholas J. Greer, Lance

Corporal Sergio H. Escobar, Staff Sergeant Gary R. Harper Jr., Staff

Sergeant Jerry L. Bonifacio Jr., Specialist Jeremy M. Hodge, Lieutenant

Colonel Leon G. James II, Sergeant Leon M. Johnson, Sergeant 1st Class

Brandon K. Sneed, Staff Sergeant Matthew A. Kimmell, Sergeant Donald D.

Furman, Specialist James T. Grijalva, Master Sergeant Kenneth E. Hunt,

Jr., Sergeant Lorenzo Ponce Ruiz, Petty Officer 1st Class Howard E.

Babcock IV, Specialist Robert W. Tucker, Specialist Samuel M. Boswell,

Specialist Bernard L. Ceo, Sergeant Brian R. Conner, Sergeant Mark P.

Adams, Specialist Thomas H. Byrd, Specialist Jeffrey W. Corban,

Specialist Richard Allen Hardy, Staff Sergeant Vincent E. Summers,

Specialist Timothy D. Watkins, Lance Corporal Daniel Scott R. Bubb,

Lance Corporal Chad R. Hildebrandt, Chief Warrant Officer Paul J.

Pillen, Lance Corporal Christopher M. Poston, Specialist Lucas A.

Frantz, Lance Corporal Norman W. Anderson III, Specialist Daniel D.

Bartels, Staff Sergeant Tommy Ike Folks, Jr., Specialist Kendall K.

Frederick, Sergeant Arthur A. Mora, Jr., Specialist Russell H. Nahvi,

Specialist Jose E. Rosario, Sergeant Jacob D. Dones, Staff Sergeant

Dennis P. Merck, Staff Sergeant Richard T. Pummill, Lance Corporal

Andrew D. Russoli, Lance Corporal Steven W. Szwydek, Lance Corporal

Kenneth J. Butler, Corporal Benny Gray Cockerham III, Corporal Seamus

M. Davey, Captain Tyler B. Swisher, Petty Officer 3rd Class Christopher

W.

Thompson, Staff Sergeant George T. Alexander, Jr., Lance Corporal

Jonathan R. Spears, Corporal Benjamin D. Hoeffner, Specialist

Christopher T. Monroe, Sergeant Michael T. Robertson, Sergeant 1st

Class Ramon A. Acevedoaponte, Staff Sergeant Lewis J. Gentry, Sergeant

Evan S. Parker, Master Sergeant Thomas A. Wallsmith, Sergeant James

Witkowski, Lance Corporal Robert F. Eckfield, Jr., Lance Corporal Jared

J. Kremm, Staff Sergeant Daniel R. Lightner, Jr., Captain Michael J.

Mackinnon, Colonel William W. Wood, 1st Lieutenant Debra A. Banaszak,

Private 1st Class Dillon M. Jutras, Sergeant Shaker T. Guy, Captain

Raymond D. Hill II, Staff Sergeant Travis W. Nixon, Private 1st Class

Kenny D. Rojas, Staff Sergeant Joel P. Dameron, Sergeant Michael Paul

Hodshire, Specialist William J. Byler, Specialist Derence W. Jack,

Private Adam R. ``A.J.'' Johnson, Sergeant 1st Class Matthew R. Kading,

Staff Sergeant Wilgene T. Lieto.

Mr. Speaker, Veterans Day is Friday. Let us remember each of these

fallen heroes and all who came before them. In the words of President

Franklin Delano Roosevelt: ``Each of these heroes stands in the

unbroken line of patriots who have dared to die that freedom might live

and grow and increase in its blessings.''

Let us also remember the brave men and women who continue to serve

our Nation with distinction in Iraq, Afghanistan, and throughout the

world. Our thoughts and prayers and gratitude are with you and your

families at this time until you return home safely to your fellow man

and woman, citizens of this country.

This Friday we will remember the 2,058 military personnel who have

fallen in Iraq and the 247 Americans who have fallen in Afghanistan.