

Mr. Speaker, hard on the heels of the anniversary of 9/11, instead of dealing meaningfully with the concerns of the American people, like immigration and the economy, instead of horse slaughter and Indian gaming, there's no meaningful action or even debate on how the Administration's war of choice has left Iraq in shambles and civil war; North Korea and Iran more threatening and dangerous than when labeled the Axis of Evil. We're losing ground to the Taliban in Afghanistan, where the NATO commander cannot even get the troops he says he needs. Independent polls show America's standing in the world at the lowest ever recorded.

The good news is that there will be a chance in November's election where we'll be able to not just send a message, but change the leadership here in the house and start a new direction for America.