This is a call for an army of "fanatics for peace" who dare to stand up to the architects of a new war for world peace. Iraq will be only a start—our vision is to see them return home as soon as possible not in body bags but smiling on their own two feet. Therefore, the struggle to return to a state of peace as soon as possible must continue. Without a doubt, the U.S. military will overwhelm the Iraqi military and the long occupation will begin. The challenge for peace advocates is to make the occupation not a continuation of the wars of the past but a new beginning. We support the troops and we want to see them return home as soon as possible not in body bags but smiling on their own two feet.

Only we thugs for freedom
March to the never ending front lines.
Pledge allegiance
To the human race,
Military machines
Are an obsolete disgrace.
Commanders of abuses
Must face the Nurenberg nooses.
We are fanatics for peace!
Pledge allegiance
To the civilization
Our children deserve,
This is the cause
We swear to serve.
Victory without blood
In Gandhi's name,
Celebrate Man's fame,
The spirit of Martin King,
Again will reign,
Resist a government
Now gone insane.
Commanders of abuses
Must face the Nurenberg nooses.
We are fanatics for peace!
Run and broadcast the brave news,
Divine mobilization we choose,
Surrender unconditionally refuse,
Our vision will not decrease
Our passion will never cease.
We are fanatics for peace!

TRIBUTE TO DOROTHY SHANNON
HON. TAMMY BALDWIN
OF WISCONSIN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, April 3, 2003

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Dorothy Shannon, one of Wisconsin's most passionate progressive leaders, and a model of civic activism. For over 50 years, Dorothy Shannon was one of the most passionate political leaders. She was a tireless supporter of progressive causes. Everyone who knew her remembers her fondly and she will be greatly missed.

Dorothy Shannon was born in Toledo, OH in 1918. Her father worked for the National Supply Company in charge of the shipping department. But when the great depression hit, he was among the millions of workers who found themselves without a job. After enduring many hard years, Dorothy was given hope when the election of President Roosevelt. Her father found work with Roosevelt's Public Works Administration turning a landfill into a public park. As the nation listened to Roosevelt's "fireside chats," Dorothy's political fire was kindled.

In 1936, Dorothy went to college on another of Roosevelt's creations, a National Youth Administration Scholarship. During World War II she volunteered for the Navy's Women's Army Corps and a model of civic activism. For over 50 years, Dorothy Shannon was one of the most passionate political leaders. She was a tireless supporter of progressive causes. Everyone who knew her remembers her fondly and she will be greatly missed.

The Shannons moved to Madison in 1950 when Ted found a job with the University of Wisconsin. They played a key role in shaping the modern day Democratic Party of Wisconsin. Even while raising three children, Dorothy never stopped volunteering. Whether marching at a peace rally or attending a League of Women Voters event, she was recognized everywhere as a passionate voice for progressive Democrats. In 2000, she was honored as the oldest delegate to the Democratic National Convention.

When I close my eyes, I can see Dorothy Shannon sitting in the front row of nearly every political debate, every community forum, and every Democratic Party event. She cared so deeply about public affairs—whether they involved local or global issues. If ever there was an embodiment of civic participation, it was Dorothy Shannon.

HON. JAMES A. LEACH
OF IOWA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, April 3, 2003

Mr. LEACH. Mr. Speaker, I rise on behalf of the House of Representatives to express my respects to a renowned international educator, Mr. Raja Roy-Singh, on the occasion of his 85th birthday. As a member of the House Committee on International Relations and as a former Co-Chairman of the United States Commission on Improving the Effectiveness of the United Nations, I can attest that improving the quality of education in the world is a prerequisite to the establishment of effective cooperation and mutual understanding in the international community. In this context, the career-long dedication of Mr. Roy-Singh to international education deserves the attention of Congress.

Raja Roy-Singh was born on April 5, 1918 in Pithoragarh, a remote town in the Himalayan foothills near India's frontier with Nepal and Tibet. One imagines that the young Roy-Singh was inspired by panoramic views of snow-topped mountains that framed the beautiful valley of his birthplace. These same mountains were the source of many streams and rivers that flowed southward onto the plains of India. Perhaps as he walked the long mountainous paths to school he wondered where those rivulets and mountain streams flowed and dreamed about following them one day.

His father was a Methodist preacher who worked for the National Institute for Social Work. As a young man, Raja Roy-Singh became inspired by the work of Gandhi and became an army of "fanatics for peace". The following Rap poem sets forth the credo of the Fanatics for Peace.

We are Fanatics for Peace.
We citizens volunteer to do our part— Never mind the military purple heart.
We are fanatics for peace! Our holy assault must never cease;
Forward to the civil liberty lines,
Blast the voting fraud mines,
The constitution light still shines,
Launch spito into the fascist face;
Our maneuvers will save the human race.
Against warmongering lies
A truth revolution will rise;
Deep wells of anger
Pump bitter tears into our eyes;
Favor for the future,
Democratic civilization fanatics
Wrestle with partisan acrobatics,
Smothered in its star spangled bed
Voter apathy is now real dead.
We are fanatics for peace!
For perpetual war
Dig wide trenches deep
Victims come fight with us
Before you weep.
Contempt is heaped upon the humble,
Wisemen merely sit and grumble,

Commanders of abuses
Must face the Nurenberg nooses.
We are fanatics for peace!

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HON. MAJOR R. OWENS
OF NEW YORK
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, April 3, 2003

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, the shock of the hot war now raging in Iraq has traumatized many Americans who oppose this war and are ready to fight harder for peace. The dogs of war are growing louder as they seek to intimidate peace seekers with charges of treason. The warmongers charge that those of us who oppose the war are abandoning our troops in the field. On the contrary those of us who oppose the war value all human life greatly including the life of each American soldier. We support the troops and we want to see them return home as soon as possible not in body bags but smiling on their own two feet. Although we are presently in the minority, the advocates for peace are the Americans with the correct vision and the right blueprint for the future. Despite the world outcry against it, the U.S. has launched the war in Iraq. Peace at this moment is not possible; nevertheless, the struggle to return to a state of peace as soon as possible must continue. Without a doubt, the U.S. military will overwhelm the Iraqi military and the long occupation will begin. The challenge for peace advocates is to make the occupation not a continuation of the wars of the past but a new beginning. We support the troops and we want to see them return home as soon as possible not in body bags but smiling on their own two feet.