

their playoff runs in the 1990s. Kenny has played for 11 teams in his 17-year baseball career, including nine different teams in the last seven seasons. He played nine of those seasons with Cleveland, and I was so happy to see him return during this season. He provides veteran leadership in the Indians lineup, and his performance in the ALDS is one of the main reasons the Indians have moved on to the ALCS. Cleveland is proud to have him back, and hopefully he can help lead the Tribe to the World Series victory he has worked for.

The Indians have been very impressive so far this postseason, defeating the vulnerable—veteran, excuse me, vulnerable now, New York Yankees in four games and closing out the series this past Monday in New York. I can't wait to see them take on the Boston Red Sox this Friday and hopefully win the series to get into the World Series.

It has been a tough few decades for Cleveland sports fans, but this year is providing hope for success in the future. This success is so wonderful and cherished by a community that has experienced so much economic loss. So I am grateful that our sports serve as a beacon of pride for Cleveland. I want to thank the owners, the management, and most of all the hard-working, young players, the Browns, the Cavs and the great Indians. And I want to say they do a good job in representing the City of Cleveland.

Madam Speaker, I want to thank you for the opportunity to speak today, and I just want to close with one more thing. Go Tribe! Go Indians! Go Cleveland!

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New York (Mr. NADLER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. NADLER addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PAYNE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PAYNE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Washington (Mr. MCDERMOTT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. MCDERMOTT addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Iowa (Mr. LOEBSACK) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. LOEBSACK addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLISON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. ELLISON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Ms. SOLIS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. SOLIS addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HARE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. HARE addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Oregon (Mr. DEFAZIO) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. DEFAZIO addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. KAGEN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. KAGEN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. COHEN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. COHEN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. GRIJALVA addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. MCGOVERN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentle-

woman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Ms. KAPTUR addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

#### END THIS ENDLESS WAR IN IRAQ

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. DOGGETT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. DOGGETT. Madam Speaker, on this unfortunate day 5 years ago, a majority of this House enabled President Bush to proceed with his tragic "go it alone" war. He was dead certain then, and he was dead wrong then. He is dead certain today, and once again dead wrong. As a result of his choices, we approach now some 4,000 Americans whose lives have been lost, perhaps as many as another 30,000 who have been disabled.

Our Treasury, of course, has been disabled of what is scheduled to be probably a trillion or more dollars out of our Treasury that could have been spent right here at home on more causes that would have touched and protected the American people, their health care and economic security.

After this 5 years, I think it is important to look back and realize that despite the position of the Republican leadership, the Republican administration, and most of the Democratic administration, that in this House that day 5 years ago, a substantial majority of House Democrats voted against this war that should never have been launched.

We say today that the best course for this country to pursue is a new course, a change of course, not just more of the same old thing as the President proposed in his escalation, as he has implemented in his escalation, but a genuine change in course.

We need to end this endless war in Iraq. We really already have a blueprint of how to do it, how to implement a safe and orderly redeployment. The United Kingdom, the only one of our allies to offer any substantial help in Iraq, is already redeploying and seems to be indicating that their troops will be out of Iraq next year. We need to join that coalition, the coalition of refocusing on priorities here at home, because what we have done in Iraq has not made our families safer. As one independent study after another has shown, what we have done there has made our families much less safe than had this adventure never been launched.

For the last 5 years, this administration has repeatedly presented us with false choices. Remember, there would be a mushroom cloud, perhaps, if we waited to find the smoking gun to justify the invasion of Iraq to find all these weapons of mass destruction that never existed. Now we hear the same old deadly course is the only alternative to a "precipitous withdrawal." Well, I don't know of anyone who is