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September 11, 2001

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, as you have directed, the House is convening now. We will stay in session from now until 11 o’clock where Members will have time for 1-minute speeches. At 11 o’clock this morning we will take a recess until 12:30 while the Chamber is cleared. Members of the body will be invited back to the Chamber at 12:30, at which time we will have a Member briefing on the floor that will last until after 2 o’clock.

At 2 o’clock, Mr. Speaker, the gentle-

man from Missouri (Mr. GEPHARDT) and I will call up by unanimous con-

sent a joint resolution condemning yest-

erday’s terrorist acts. That resolution will be addressed by this body under that unanimous consent request with an understanding that we will continue to address it until each Member of this Chamber has had ample time to ad-

dress this issue as he or she sees fit.

I want to thank all the Members of this body for their patience, their com-

mitment, their understanding, and their resolve during this trying time. Let me assure you, Mr. Speaker, by the time the 435 Members of this body have spoken today, the world will have no doubt about who we are, what we will stand for, and what we will not stand for.

AMERICA SUFFERS TODAY

(Mr. GEPHARDT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, America, our blessed Nation, suffers today. Terribly. Terrorists sought to use fear as a weapon against every person in this Nation. They do not know America, and they do not know Americans. They think freedom is our vulner-

ability. It is our strength. We will need that strength in the days ahead. Throughout our proud history we have met every challenge, and we will meet this challenge.

Mr. Speaker, we are united in mourning for all of our fellow citizens who were injured and died. I have been so moved while watching television and seeing the heroism, the courage, the patriotism, the bravery, the goodness of our people trying to help one an-

other, save one another, bind up our wounds, and find those who have been lost. Our hearts go out to every person, every family that has been touched by this awful tragedy, and to all the fami-

lies at this very moment who are en-

dureng an unspeakable, unimaginable horror in their lives. In times of national tragedy, Americans have always come together, strengthened our resolve, and faced ad-

versity squarely while giving aid and comfort to every victim, every family member, every relative, every person affected by the tragedy. On this occa-

sion, we are once again showing the world what it means to be an American.