the foundation of our Nation, our freedom, our people's spirit, our great democracy.

I joint with my colleagues here in Congress in expressing our Nation's sorrow and outrage at these evil attacks. More than that, we join together in firm resolve to find those responsible and to bring them to justice, and resolve to prevent such acts in the future.

Mr. Speaker, this is a reminder that just as no person is an island, America is not an island. No declaration of resolve here, no fancy airport security technology, no air marshal on board planes, no military action can by itself root out terrorism without international cooperation.

As the champions of freedom in the world, we will reach out not only to governments around the world, but to the people around the world who stand with us.

EXPRESSION SYMPATHY TO FAMILIES WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES, AND THE CONVICTION THAT TERRORISTS AND THOSE WHO HARBOR THEM MUST BE PUNISHED

(Mr. WOLF asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, my heartfelt sympathies are extended to the families. Many people in my area work at the Pentagon and have been involved. The mothers, the fathers, the sons, the daughters, and the neighbors who perished will never be forgotten.

I want to also thank and praise the courageous firefighters, the rescue workers, the policemen, the servicemen and women, and the scores of volunteers who have been working around the clock.

America is the greatest country in the world. We represent freedom and liberty and democracy, and we will respond to this terrorism. We strongly support the President of the United States to find them and to bring them to justice so this can never happen again.

THREE THINGS AMERICANS CAN DO TO RESPOND TO THE ATTACK ON OUR COUNTRY

(Mr. INSLEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, in the last 24 hours I have heard a very powerful statement from thousands of Americans, a question. That is: What can I do?

I would suggest three things:

We can give blood, not just in the next day, but in the next several months.

Number two, we can tell our children that they are safe, and they are safe in their schools. We cannot allow these terrorists to create an image and a feeling of fear of our kids when they go to school.

Third, and I think most important, we need to talk to our children and tell them that at the same time they are discovering the nature of evil in certain people, and cowardice in certain people, and terrorism in certain people, there is courage in Americans.

We can share the stories of these firefighters and these police officers who went into these buildings, so that our children know, as it has always been and will always be, the courage of people, of individual Americans, is going to surmount cowardice.

SOME UNSCRUPULOUS GAS STATION OPERATORS ATTEMPT TO PROFIT FROM AMERICA'S TRAGEDY

(Mr. BACHUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, in moments of tragedy such as we are now witnessing, stories of sacrifice and heroism always emerge to make us proud. That will continue to be the case as we dig out from the rubble of this cowardly assault by yesterday's terrorists.

However, disaster always breeds acts offensive to all honest and patriotic Americans. Sadly, we are also witnessing examples of such behavior here in America. Instances of gas price gouging come from all over the Nation. In my home State, a patriotic State, prices of over $4 are reported. Throughout the Midwest, prices exceeding $5 a gallon were reported after the bombing.

Most national oil companies have announced they are freezing gas prices, indicating much of this is by the unscrupulous operators at the gas station. They must be held accountable.

AMERICA'S DARKEST HOUR MAY ALSO BE HER FINEST HOUR

(Mr. WYNN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WYNN. Mr. Speaker, unlike the old broadcast message, this is not a test, this is very real. Secretary of State Powell had it correct: This is an attack on our civilization.

But in this, our darkest hour, we may also find our finest hour. In our Nation's character and our Nation's will. We will help continue the rescue efforts. We will mourn the dead victims. We will pray for the families. We will salute our brave rescue workers, firemen, and policemen.

We will also secure our communities, and we will bring perpetrators not just to justice but to a punishment they will not soon forget. God bless America.

TERRORIST ATTACK ON WASHINGTON, D.C. AND NEW YORK

(Mr. WELLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, earlier in the 20th century, America was once referred to as a slumbering giant, and...