

Congressman Mike Pence addressed thousands of Americans at a "Code Red Rally" on the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol today:



Congressman Pence addressing the crowd

Congressman Pence's remarks as delivered:

I'm Mike Pence, I'm from Indiana, and welcome to your nation's Capitol.

You have come to your nation's Capitol on a historic weekend.

After years of runaway federal spending, borrowing, bailouts and takeovers by both political parties, this weekend, the American People will say: "Enough is enough; this far and no farther."

That is not the president's House.

That is not the Speaker's House.

That is the People's House and Mr. President and Mrs. Pelosi, the American People don't want a government takeover of health care - now, or ever.

The American People want to face our challenges in health care with more freedom, not more government.

This weekend, I believe, will mark the beginning of the end of the liberal ascendancy here in Washington, D.C. that has grown government beyond its means and saddled future generations of Americans with a mountain range of debt.

This weekend, the American People will begin the long journey back to the center of our national government to demand that we have a government as good as our people, a government that lives within our means, a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

With the American people at our side, House Republicans are in the fight for freedom, free markets and limited government; and America, I believe we can still win this fight.

I know the odds are against us, but I have hope, because Americans are always at our best when our backs are against the wall.

Like some other Americans who crossed a river on a Christmas Day in 1776. The fight was not going their way either, a lot of folks had counted them out. But that didn't stop them. Against all odds, General Washington led the Continental Army across the icy waters of the Delaware, surprised the troops quartered in Trenton and started the long

march to a victory for freedom.

A lot of you crossed a river to get here, and you crossed that river for the same reason those other Americans did: to stand and fight for freedom, self determination and the American Dream.

I don't know if our victory will come on the 3rd Sunday in March or on the first Tuesday in November, but I know our victory will come.

So be confident, stay in the fight, let your voice be heard.

Beacuse throughout the great history of this nation, every time the American People make a stand for freedom, free markets and limited government, freedom always wins.

God bless you all.

FOX News reported on the rally and noted some of the remarks Congressman Pence made: