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PENCE SAYS U.S. WILL NEVER RETREAT IN WAR ON TERROR

Washington, Mar 17, 2004 - Washington, D.C.— Congressman Mike Pence paid tribute today to our armed forces, our allies, and the people of Iraq one year after the start of Operation Iraqi Freedom on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives.

“Mr. Speaker, it is written, if we owe debts pay debts, if honor then honor, if respect then respect. And today, appropriately, we will commend and pay the debt of honor that we owe to American forces, our allies, and the brave people of Iraq in the success of Operation Iraqi Freedom begun one year ago.

“But sadly we do so against the backdrop of tragedy and retreat amidst an ally in Europe. So as we celebrate the victory in Iraq today let our enemies nonetheless hear this today: this President, this Congress, and the good people of the home of the brave will never cower, will never relent, and will never retreat in the war on terror until the threat of terrorism is lifted from our people and the people of the free world. So help us God. “

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