Congressman Pence penned a guest column today in the *Muncie Star Press*, recalling the harrowing events of September 11, 2001.

Everyone remembers where they were on this day seven years ago.

A stay-at-home mom tended to her little ones as she planned out her day.

A coal miner just finished the dreaded third shift and was getting ready to go to sleep.

A farmer had already been up for three hours doing the morning chores.

And just like everyone else, I too was going through my "normal" workday routine at the Capitol when I learned of the attacks in New York City and the Pentagon.

I vividly remember the Capitol complex being evacuated. I was whisked away by the Capitol Police to the top floor of their headquarters where I met up with House and Senate leaders.

The moment I arrived, an officer informed us that an inbound airplane was '12 minutes out.' The Congressional leaders in the room began to discuss options and capabilities as I stood by and watched the Capitol Dome out the window.

We waited.

That was the longest 12 minutes of my life.