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TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS

FROM: REPRESENTATIVE PAUL I. CLYMER 

SUBJECT: 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WAR OF 1812

DATE: FEBRUARY 29, 2012

During the War of 1812, British warships started firing bombs and rockets on Fort McHenry which protected the Baltimore Harbor. The bombardment began on September 13, 1814 and continued for 25 hours.

Francis Scott Key was aboard a British ship observing this heavy attack by the British Navy. By dawn's early light, the American flag was still standing thus inspiring Mr. Scott to write our national anthem.

The successful defense of Ft. McHenry was a turning point in the war.

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