



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

March 5, 2026

Dear Mr. Nelson,

Thank you for sharing your concerns about the military action in Iran. I appreciate hearing your views on this important issue and value the opportunity to respond.

For 36 years, the Iranian regime has chanted “death to America” while actively sponsoring terrorism, undermining regional stability, and indiscriminately killing civilians in its own land and through terrorist proxies across the globe. The Iranian regime is a danger to America, her interests and, allies across the Middle East.

I am deeply saddened by the tragic loss of US servicemembers in the opening days of Operation Epic Fury. My prayers and condolences are with the brave men and women who protect America’s interests abroad and the families that support them at home. I stand firmly behind the United States military as they pursue their mission to protect America and our allies.

Operation Epic Fury is not the beginning of a new war. On the contrary, its mission is to end a decades-long conflict with an authoritarian regime that has enabled terrorism around the world and killed tens of thousands of its own citizens who protest in the street. Iran’s despotism has a global reach which must be thwarted.

The stated objective of this military action is to ensure Iran cannot produce nuclear weapons or continue its ballistic missile program. I firmly support these objectives which protect America and its allies while bringing stability to the Middle East.

My staff and I will continue monitoring the situation as it develops. As a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, I am committed to advocating for policies which make Americans safer at home and abroad. If relevant legislation should come to the house floor for a vote, I will be sure to keep your views in mind.

Thank you again for sharing your views and opinions with me. Please continue to keep in touch with me via telephone (202) 225-5361, on [Facebook](#) or via [X \(Twitter\)](#). To receive regular updates on the issues you care about, please [click here](#) to sign up for my email list.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom H. Kean, Jr.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tom Kean, Jr.
Member of Congress