

Washington, D.C. – Congressman Tom Rooney (R-Fla.) issued the following statement regarding the vote on the War Supplemental bill:

“Several weeks ago I voted for a clean war funding bill in support of our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. Today I voted against the supplemental conference report which the Democrats have turned into a global bailout by providing U.S. taxpayer dollars for Hamas and dangerous nations such as Venezuela, Syria and Sudan. The majority has decided to play politics with our troops and include controversial, unpopular measures in this bill. Additionally, the bill puts our troops in jeopardy by allowing the release of detainee photographs and by cutting the original bill’s funding levels which passed the House with bipartisan support. I refuse to play politics when it comes to national security and supporting our troops, and I cannot support a bill containing such controversial measures which does not put our troops first.”

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