The three soldiers asked for a meeting with congressional leaders and were received by Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi. Speaker Dennis Hastert did not respond.

In Their Own Words

▲ “Returning to me and other citizens… the vote in the Committee of the Whole we once had… would make me as proud as I will be to see the Iraqi people go to the polls on January 30th.”
   — Marcus Gray, Ward 8, Ballou Senior High School, 2000

▲ “I want to speak up and ask that Congress take the first step… to give my family and me and my fellow D.C. citizens voting representation [by returning] the vote in the Committee of the Whole.”
   — Emory Kosh, Ward 7, Eastern Senior High School, 2000

▲ “I come to the Congress today to ask for that vote before we are deployed again… The maximum is what my buddies and I are pledged to give. We believe that voting representation is not too much to ask in return.”
   — Isaac Lewis, Ward 7, Dunbar Senior High School, 1996

House Honors

▲ “I ask the House of Representatives to honor the residents of the District of Columbia who have served in every war since the Revolutionary War of 1775, by recognizing three young men today who served in the Iraqi War without a vote, Marcus Gray, Emory Kosh, and Isaac Lewis.” Framed Congressional Record Honors presented to three D.C. veterans by Congresswoman Norton. They also received a special proclamation from Mayor Anthony Williams.
Gun laws saved. See page 4.
Two major money bills passed. See page 4.

First budget autonomy bill passed in Senate.

Successful fight for permanent Homeland Security headquarters and jobs in D.C.

D.C. voting rights and recognition of statehood advanced.

Hearings on No Taxation Without Representation Act in Senate and House, and bill voted out of committee to Senate floor. Norton prime-time speech at Democratic National Convention. D.C. flag raised alongside state flags at Union Station.

Best committee assignments for D.C. Named to Homeland Security Committee. Elected Ranking Member of subcommittee that controls most city jobs and economic development. House D.C. subcommittee abolished, eliminating unneeded layer of intrusion into self government.

3,000 flu doses to the city from Capitol Physician.

Lead water crisis relief. Two House hearings. $500,000 for drinking water infrastructure improvements. $200,000 to monitor residents’ exposure to lead.


Airport noise. Reduction of proposed new flights. Amendments to restart small plane service and $100 million reimbursement for shutdown at National.

$30 million for combined sewer overflow. Anacostia River bill. $5 million for Anacostia River walk and bike trail. D.C. included in the Water Resources Development Act for the first time. Primary sponsor of the first bill for total cleanup of the Anacostia River, joined by Republican and Democratic regional delegation.

New annual vehicle for rapid enactment of D.C. laws that change the Home Rule charter.

First hometown D.C. stamp, including hometown landmarks, with 70 million stamps in circulation.

$300 million for transportation and infrastructure improvements.

Civil Rights. Racial profiling provision passed by House. Appropriations language to safeguard EEOC enforcement.

House passage of Norton bill to name Federal Court annex for Judge William B. Bryant, first federal black chief judge and first black assistant U.S. attorney in D.C.

Solar energy amendment for federal buildings. $60 million annually for five years.

D.C. added to bill to assure House representation after a catastrophe.

Norton Gets Scarce Flu Vaccine for D.C. from Capitol

Former Ward 8 Councilmember Sandy Allen, D.C. Public Health Director Dr. Gregg A. Pane and Congresswoman Norton deliver flu vaccine she got from Congress to the J. B. Johnson Nursing Home.

Norton Got Federal Funds for New York Avenue Metro

Norton, Metro and D.C. officials cut the ribbon on the New York Avenue-Gallaudet University Metro Station. Photo by Larry Levine.

Strong Goals for the 109th

▲ Making maximum use of Senate passage of D.C. budget autonomy to get House passage.

▲ Bipartisan bill on federal contribution as a payment for federally imposed costs to D.C. taxpayers.

▲ Major educational effort from Congress to bring national attention to her voting rights bill.

▲ Rerouting hazardous rail shipments away from D.C.

▲ Flu vaccine bill.

▲ Sensible coordinated security, including a citywide security plan, elimination of checkpoints, and reopening of First Street to Metro and tourist buses.

▲ National bill for pre-election day “early voting” to eliminate long lines and for remedies to assure provisional votes are counted.

▲ SAFE TRAINS Act with Norton as lead sponsor and Homeland Security Committee cosponsors to protect subway and rail travel from terrorism, as Congress has done for air travel.

▲ Presentation of Norton Commission on Black Men and Boys Action Plan to city and Congress to address unique problems of black males and families.

▲ Bill to regulate the National Zoo like other U.S. zoos to avoid neglect and deaths of animals.
Norton for 9/11 Commission Intelligence Reform Bill

“After an impressive, exhaustive investigation, the 9/11 Commission… deserves the credit for… the bill… Of particular concern to me… are… problems that… deeply involve intelligence and the judgment of public officials… The invasion of Iraq teaches the necessity of assuring that competing information not only reaches but influences the President… This bill is already late, delayed by the Administration, but finally delivered at the hands of the 9/11 families and the Commission. We must seize this opportunity and pass this bill.”

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Capitol Trivia: Name the cities where Congress met before settling in D.C. Turn page upside down for answer.

Norton and Citizens Coalition Wage Successful Fight to Save D.C. Gun Safety Laws

Working with relatives of children killed by gunfire, residents and D.C. officials, Congresswoman Norton drove back three attempts to repeal D.C. gun safety laws, two in the Senate and one in the House. Norton at a press conference on the repeal in the Senate with Co-Chairs of the Coalition to Save D.C. Gun Safety Laws from left: Iris Toyer, Parents United; Marita Michael, mother of gun victim; Hannah Hawkins, Children of Mine Center; Josh Williams, Metropolitan Washington Council AFL-CIO; Lori Kaplan, Latin American Youth Center; and Robert Peck, Greater Washington Board of Trade.

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AND MUCH MORE

Friday, April 22, 2005 — 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
The New Washington Convention Center ◆ 801 Mount Vernon Place, NW
D.C. residents and businesses only – Limited seating – Pre-registration requested by April 15th to guarantee seat Call 783-5065 to register – On-site registration 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

D.C.’s Two Most Important Money Benefits Passed

Norton’s D.C.-only $5,000 Homebuyer Credit and Business Tax Credits a Big Hit with Residents. Don’t Miss Out!
▲ $5,000 Homebuyer Credit good until end of 2005 and retroactive for 2004 for all who purchased in D.C. last year.
▲ Business tax credits also extended.
▲ Norton working with D.C. businesses for permanent renewal of all D.C. tax credits.

Big Increase in Norton’s Tuition Bill
▲ 50% increase – $25.6 million – in the program that is already sending 6,000 D.C. residents to 156 colleges in D.C., this region, and nationwide.
▲ Residents may attend any U.S. public college or get $2,500 to attend private colleges in D.C. or region.
▲ 30% increase in D.C. college attendance compared to national average of 11%. The tuition benefit also has kept taxpayers living in D.C.
▲ Annual HBCU funding for UDC.

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