days today. Momma does not hold me any- more. I open my mouth but I am too weak to cry. Far above a bird slowly crawls across the sky. Why is there nothing left to do but die?

Those were lyrics by the late Harry Chapin. Harry was a terrific friend. He dedicated the proceeds from one-half of his concerts every year to fight world hunger. He used to say, if one night 45,000 people died of hunger in New Jer- sey, it would make headlines around the world, giant headlines in every paper in the world. But the winds of hunger blow every day, every hour, every minute, and 45,000 people, mostly children, die every day, and it doesn't make the newspaper.

Now we have a gripping famine in a part of the world that some of us believe we have a moral responsibility to address in a much more aggressive way than we have been willing to address previously. Yet a relatively small amendment I offered on Thursday was defeated by two votes, and I was told before I offered it: Go ahead and offer your amendment. We will defeat it. And this was before they knew what the amendment was about.

That is of a kind of priority you would expect from the Senate. I regret very much that we passed this global AIDS bill and did not attach the $250 million in food aid to which the Senate had previously agreed. We don't have much time to care about world hun- ger. If we care about saving these children, if we care about doing what we need to do, what our responsibility would call us to do at this moment, then we must regroup and pass legisla- tion of the type I offered Thursday night.

Again, it was hard to sleep, and this weekend I thought a lot about that, wondering why was the Senate so much more interested in providing tax cuts than it was in providing assistance to those starving in other parts of the world.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Virginia.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. WARNER. Parliamentary in- quiry: Would the Chair advise the Sen- ate with regard to the time remaining in morning business?

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. There are 9 minutes remaining to the majority in morning business.

Mr. WARNER. I judge no time re- maining for the minority.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. That is correct.

Mr. WARNER. On behalf of the ma- jority leader, I ask now that all time be yielded back on behalf of the major- ity.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The time is yielded back. Morn- ing business is closed.