Re: Only 548 days to go

Dear Editor,

As I write these words there are 548 days remaining in George Bush's term of office. Unless he is impeached or dies unexpectedly, he will be Commander-in-Chief until that time. The armed forces will obey and carry out his personal vision of victory until then. The ability of Congress to oversee the divinely inspired policies of this president are at best pathetic.

For this state of affairs we should be grateful. Bush will ask for, and I hope receives all the rope he needs. I hope that the Senate continues to stymie all efforts to redirect America's fighting men and women towards the religious terrorists safely hidden away on the Afghanistan-Pakistan border or scattered around the world, still under the spell of Osama Bin Laden's holy war. I hope that our brave troops, who in 2004 favored their current Commander-in-Chief by a margin of 4 to 1, will realize that a decorated combat veteran might have had their best interests at heart somewhat more than a flight suit poser who never fired a shot while shaking in his boots.

I hope that by November, 2008 it should be clear enough to all voters that this "war on terror" was not lost because of some liberal columnists, but because of the over-confidence, cruelty, greed, ignorance, indifference, gullibility and stupidity of, yes, the American people. That's right. We the People voted for George Bush and We the People should accept responsibility for our failure as citizens of this modern and changing world.

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