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We know what 'support' stickers mean

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This is regarding the letter "Support bringing our troops home," (June 20), asking what people are supporting who have "Support Our Troops" slogans "plastered" on their cars, windows, trucks, etc. He asks if we are supporting the "slaughter of innocent Iraqis" or some "nebulous 'war on terrorism.'" As the mother of a U.S. soldier who has spent the last two years in South Korea and who will soon be deployed for a full year to Iraq, let me explain what I am supporting: I support my brave son and his comrades for their willingness to give their lives for our country.

They do this for that letter writer, whether or not he appreciates it. I support our soldiers who have been injured and the families of soldiers who have paid the ultimate price. I support our soldiers working with Iraqis and forging wonderful friendships and trust between our countries. I support our troops who do not receive any letters or care packages (anysoldier.com).

Most of all, I support our troops and pray for their safe return. I pray that when their deployments are over, and their feet touch American soil, you are not the first person they see.

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