AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300 OFFERED BY MR. KEATING OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

| 1 | SEC SUPPORTING UKRAINE'S ACCESSION TO THE EU- |
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| 2 | ROPEAN UNION. |
| 3 | (a) Sense of Congress.—It is the sense of Con- |
| 4 | gress that— |
| 5 | (1) the United States and the European Union |
| 6 | maintain the largest bilateral trade and investment |
| 7 | relationship in the world and are each other's largest |
| 8 | trading partners; |
| 9 | (2) the European Union is the largest buyer of |
| 10 | United States natural gas and oil; |
| 11 | (3) Ukrainian leaders and the Ukrainian people |
| 12 | have long expressed their desire to join the Euro- |
| 13 | pean Union and are actively pursuing accession to |
| 14 | the European Union as a national policy; |
| 15 | (4) it is the independent sovereign choice of |
| 16 | Ukraine to accede to the European Union; and |
| 17 | (5) it is in the interest of the United States for |
| 18 | Ukraine to accede to the European Union in accord- |
| 19 | ance with the desire of the Ukrainian people to com- |
| 20 | bat Russian and Chinese malign economic influence, |

- 1 strengthen transatlantic trade relationships, and ex-
- 2 pand Ukraine's access to United States and other
- 3 western markets.
- 4 (b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
- 5 United States to support Ukraine's aspirations for acces-
- 6 sion to the European Union in line with the expressed de-
- 7 sire of the Ukrainian people.

