

he has devoted countless hours of his valuable time to teaching the history and the lessons of the Holocaust to all Americans and future generations.

Arnold has contributed a great deal to our country through his willingness to take risks in pursuit of better and more efficient ways of manufacturing and his philanthropic devotion to the task of remembrance. I invite my colleagues to join me in expressing our appreciation for Arnold Lorber's many accomplishments and his continuing devotion to making this country a better place.

CORRECTING THE IMMIGRATION LAW

HON. RANDY TATE

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, January 25, 1996

Mr. TATE. Mr. Speaker, I would like to introduce a simple piece of legislation designed to fix a major flaw in U.S. immigration law. Over the past decade, the subject of immigration has captured the interest of the American people. This year, it has moved to the forefront of the political arena in Washington, DC. Major bills have been introduced in both the House and Senate to control illegal immigration and reform legal immigration. The bill I bring to the floor today is not a sweeping solution to our immigration woes, but a strong step in the right direction.

From the time of our forefathers, U.S. immigration policy has provided the opportunity for millions of people to come to America to help us build the strongest, most prosperous democracy in the world. In more recent years, however, many have begun to take advantage of our open door policy. Today, some believe that immigration to the United States is a right instead of a privilege.

The Immigration and Naturalization Service estimates that 300,000 people enter the United States illegally every year, and 3.8 million currently live in this country illegally. These people are taking advantage of American generosity and openness without regard for our laws or our principles. Mr. Speaker, that is not what America is all about.

Illegal immigrants come to the United States at the expense of those who choose to play by the rules and come to America legally. Most Americans probably don't even know it, but our laws do not penalize individuals who intentionally cross our borders illegally. Under current law, any individual who enters the United States illegally and is deported is still eligible for legal immigration later. Despite the fact that they have already broken one of our laws, illegal immigrants are provided the same privileges under U.S. immigration law as anyone else.

I am introducing legislation today to put an end to this madness. Under my bill, if an individual breaks our immigration laws by intentionally entering the United States illegally, he or she will never again be eligible for any kind of temporary or immigrant visa. Not 1 year later, not 20 years later, never. We need to use our precious immigration resources wisely instead of wasting them on people who have no respect for American laws.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation and to stand up for honesty and integrity. Thank you.

H.R. —

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. REVISION TO GROUND OF INADMISSIBILITY FOR ILLEGAL ENTRANTS AND IMMIGRATION VIOLATORS.

(a) ALIENS PREVIOUSLY DEPORTED.—Section 212(a)(6)(A) (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(6)(A)) is amended by—

(1) Inserting after "Any alien who" the following: "had the intent to illegally enter the United States and"; and

(2) striking "and who again seeks admission within one year of the date of such deportation".

(b) CERTAIN ALIENS PREVIOUSLY REMOVED.—Section 212(a)(6)(B) (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(6)(B)) is amended by—

(1) inserting after "Any alien who" the following: "had the intent to illegally enter the United States and"; and

(2) striking "and (a) who seeks admission within 5 years of the date of such deportation or removal, or (b) seeks admission within 20 years in the case of an alien convicted of an aggravated felony,".

COMMEMORATING THE 80TH BIRTHDAY OF PHIL RUBENSTEIN

HON. JIM SAXTON

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, January 25, 1996

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege for me to wish a good friend and loyal public servant, Phil Rubenstein, best wishes as he celebrates his 80th birthday.

Phil has devoted 53 years to public service within the United States and Ocean County governments. An example to us all, Phil's dedication and creativity have improved the lives of many Americans.

Of course, all commentary aside, Phil Rubenstein's record speaks for itself. From 1943 to 1954 Phil served as the Assistant Chief of the Service Division of the Veterans Administration. He continued his service until 1974 by working as a Social Security Representative in the Northeast. Phil retired from the Federal Civil Service but continued to honorably serve the citizens of Ocean County, New Jersey by assuming the directorship of the Ocean County Office on Aging.

As the director of the Ocean County Office on Aging, Phil has left an indelible impression on our local community and on the lives of senior citizens across the nation.

A few of his more notable accomplishments include: Creating free mammography and prostate cancer screening programs; creating a complete senior citizen complex that among other things established nutrition sites, senior centers, home delivered meal programs, and other outreach programs; the creation of the Ocean County Handicapped and Elderly Transportation Service.

As I deliver these words of praise, I realize that I am only one voice of many that have done likewise. Phil has received, among others, awards from the Governor for "Outstanding Achievement for Innovative Programs for the Elderly", from the New Jersey Association of Freeholders for "Outstanding Service", from the Ocean County Board of Chosen Freeholders for "Distinguished", and three distinguished Federal Service Awards.

The people who probably thank Phil the most, however, are all of those who benefit

from the results of his hard work. Most notable are the senior citizens who need access to transportation to receive medical care. Every day over 650 people across the Nation are able to utilize this service.

I could continue with a litany of other awards and accomplishments that Phil has earned. Instead, I will end here and say this. Phil, on this day—the day before your 80th birthday—I give you my best wishes and hopes for another rewarding and successful year. Happy birthday.

GEORGIANS SUPPORT SOLDIERS IN BOSNIA

HON. MAC COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, January 25, 1996

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I would like to share with my colleagues in the House recent action taken by the House of Representatives of the State of Georgia. While many Georgians expressed significant reservations with regard to the Clinton administration policies leading to the deployment of ground troops on the Balkan Peninsula, it is clear that American citizens and their leaders are unified in support of our courageous men and women serving in the region. Now that our men and women are fully deployed and committed to the mission given to them by the Commander in Chief, it is imperative that we provide the material support necessary to insure the safe and successful completion of this peacekeeping effort.

H.R. No. 791

By: Representatives Bunn of the 74th, Heckstall of the 55th, Hembree of the 98th, Mueller of the 152nd, Brown of the 130th and others

A RESOLUTION

Expressing support for the American troops in Bosnia and Herzegovina urging President Clinton and the Congress to give the troops sufficient resources to ensure their well-being; and for other purposes.

Whereas, President Clinton has dispatched American troops to assist in supervising the fragile peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina; and

Whereas, those American men and women along with their NATO counterparts are experiencing severe hardship and facing real personal danger in order to protect the former combatants and their respective civilian populations in that tragic region; and

Whereas, those brave men and women deserve not only our moral support but also the real material support necessary to ensure their safety in a hostile environment.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the House of Representatives That the members of this body express their confidence that the American troops deployed in Bosnia and Herzegovina will acquit themselves professionally and honorably, pledge their unrestrained support for the American troops, and pray that their mission will bring a return of peace and prosperity to the citizens of the region.

Be it further resolved That the members of this body urge the President and Congress to provide the United States contingent with the resources and support necessary to ensure the success of their mission and their early safe return home.

Be it further resolved That the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to transmit appropriate copies of