EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.
OF NEW JERSEY
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 24, 2001

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained by a delayed flight and was unable to be present last night for floor votes. If I had been present, I would have voted in the affirmative on H.R. 2137, H.R. 1892, and S. 468.

SUPPORT FOR THE ARMENIAN TECHNOLOGY GROUP

HON. GEORGE RADANOVICH
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 24, 2001

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for the Armenian Technology Group’s efforts to assist the development of rural private enterprise in the Caucasus and Central Asia regions of the former Soviet Union.

Both as a farmer and as one of this body’s Representatives from the world’s most prolific agricultural regions, the San Joaquin Valley, I appreciate ATG’s work around the world. Just last week, ATG announced the results of its seed multiplication efforts in Armenia. ATG did not merely double the production of wheat in Armenia—the organization was responsible for creating a net four hundred and thirty percent increase in wheat yield.

This, Mr. Speaker, is one of the great success stories in America’s foreign assistance history. It is why I am pushing for ATG to receive the resources necessary to replicate its work along the legendary Silk Road in Central Asia. The Central Asia region has not witnessed the type of market-driven successes that we had hoped for at the time of the dismantling of the Soviet Union. I am confident, however, that ATG can help these countries move on the path to economic and market reform and eventual prosperity.

Mr. Speaker, I invite you and our colleagues in this distinguished House to learn more about ATG and the amazing work it has done. May the organization continue to be allowed to prosper in Armenia and elsewhere—it is truly one of America’s treasures that we can share with the rest of the world.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BOB RILEY
OF ALABAMA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 24, 2001

Mr. RILEY. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for rolcall No. 257, Criminal Law Technical Amendments Act of 2001. Had I been present I would have voted “yea.”

I was unavoidably detained for rolcall No. 258, Family Sponsor Immigration Act of 2001. Had I been present I would have voted “yea.”

I was unavoidably detained for rolcall No. 259, the James C. Corman Federal Building Designation Act. Had I been present I would have voted “yea.”

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DONALD A. MANZULLO
OF ILLINOIS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 24, 2001

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, last night, while the House of Representatives was voting, I was unavoidably detained from participating due to adverse weather conditions that kept me from arriving at the Capitol on time. Had I been present I would have voted “yea” on the following bills: H.R. 2137—Criminal Law Technical Amendments Act of 2001; H.R. 1892—Family Sponsor Immigration Act of 2001; and, S. 468—James C. Corman Federal Building Designation Act.

HONORING HENRY L. “HANK” LACAYO

HON. LOIS CAPPS
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, July 24, 2001

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Henry L. “Hank” Lacayo, an outstanding community leader from California, on the occasion of his 70th birthday. I want to recognize Hank’s lifetime of service he has provided the Nation through his dedication to leadership and social activism.

After graduating from John C. Fremont High School in 1949, Hank served in the U.S. Air Force and was later hired at the North American Aviation’s Los Angeles Division in 1953. He then embarked on a career in organized labor starting with his election in 1962 to serve as President of the United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 887.

Until 1972, Hank represented 30,000 workers at North American Aviation, later known as Rockwell International in Los Angeles. Appointed as an Administrative Assistant to then-UAW President Leonard Woodcock, Hank moved to Detroit, Michigan in 1974. There Hank was appointed National Director of the UAW’s political and legislative department. For the successive three UAW’s Presidents, Leon and Woodcock, Douglas Fraser, and Owen Bieber, Hank served as administrative assistant.

During the administration of President John F. Kennedy, Hank served as an advisor to the U.S. Department of Labor. He has since been a trusted advisor to several U.S. Presidents. Hank was named a National Director of the UAW’s political and legislative arm, in 1976.

Hank’s total devotion to his community is evidenced by the many organizations that he has chaired worldwide. Hank is a founding member of Destino 2000, the Hispanic Legacy fund, Co-Founder and Past Chairman of the Board of the U.S. Hispanic Leadership Institute and currently serves on the Community Advisory Board of the California State University Channel Islands.