

Henry Paulson Quotes

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I'm a straightforward person. I like to be direct with people.

~Henry Paulson

I don't see (subprime mortgage market troubles) imposing a serious problem. I think it's going to be largely contained.

~Henry Paulson

It's a safe banking system, a sound banking system. Our regulators are on top of it. This is a very manageable situation.

~Henry Paulson

Our overriding goal in restructuring our financial architecture should be that taxpayers never again have to save a failing financial institution.

~Henry Paulson

There's always light at the end of the tunnel, right? It just depends on how long the tunnel is.

~Henry Paulson

I never once considered that it was appropriate to put taxpayer money on the line in resolving Lehman Brothers.

~Henry Paulson

In just about every area of society, there's nothing more important than ethics.

~Henry Paulson

As a Christian Scientist, I don't go to doctors and get diagnoses.

~Henry Paulson

Regulation needs to catch up with innovation.

~Henry Paulson

Economic growth and environmental protection are not at odds. They're

opposite sides of the same coin if you're looking at longer-term prosperity.

~Henry Paulson

When you have a big, ugly problem, there's never going to be a neat, elegant solution that is totally painless or without a cost.

~Henry Paulson

Every global concern - economic, environmental or security-related - can be addressed more effectively when the U.S. and China work together.

~Henry Paulson

I have relied on prayer for health care all of my life.

~Henry Paulson

China saves too much, produces too much, sells too much to Americans and consumes too little.

~Henry Paulson

As a child, I could beat most kids in sprints, but overall, wrestling was the most natural sport for me. In fact, I was a pretty good high school wrestler. I was unusually quick and strong.

~Henry Paulson

I didn't get the charm gene.

~Henry Paulson

The first priority is to make sure we have capital to continue to have capital available to put into the financial system. That's the first priority.

~Henry Paulson

I believe that the root cause of every financial crisis, the root cause, is flawed government policies

~Henry Paulson

Even if you don't have the authorities - and frankly I didn't have the authorities for anything - if you take charge, people will follow.

~Henry Paulson

What I've said repeatedly is, 'I think the auto industry is a very important industry.'

~Henry Paulson

U.S. exports to China have more than quintupled since China entered the WTO and have grown more quickly than imports. In fact, China is America's fastest-growing export market.

~Henry Paulson

In terms of the overall economy, we've got challenges and the big focus has got to be on recovery, on repair, and that's going to take a while.

~Henry Paulson

I think all governments engage in intelligence gathering vis-a-vis other governments.

~Henry Paulson

China and the U.S. are the two largest importers of oil. They are the two largest emitters of carbon.

~Henry Paulson

As the Indian government has embraced greater economic openness, the creativity and expertise of the Indian workforce has been unleashed onto the world economic stage.

~Henry Paulson

One of the things I enjoy the most is fishing.

~Henry Paulson

In China, export lobbies have fought for policies that favor their interests and limit foreign competition.

~Henry Paulson

It is the policy of the federal government to use all resources at its disposal to make our financial system stronger.

~Henry Paulson

One of the most constant aspects of American life is change - and nowhere is it more evident than in our financial markets.

~Henry Paulson

I see the underlying economy as being very healthy.

~Henry Paulson

The worst is likely to be behind us.

~Henry Paulson

A Fed loan to Lehman Brothers would not have prevented a bankruptcy.

~Henry Paulson

The U.S. didn't save enough; we borrowed a lot. There were structural imbalances in Asia with exporters, with oil exporters for a whole variety of things.

~Henry Paulson

Anticompetitive practices hurt Chinese private firms nearly as much as foreign ones.

~Henry Paulson

I don't think a bankruptcy is a good thing.

~Henry Paulson

I understand how important the automakers are to America. And I understand a bankruptcy; a failure in that industry wouldn't be a good thing. It's something we should avoid.

~Henry Paulson

Payment systems are critically important for overall market stability. On a typical business day, U.S. payment and settlement systems settle transactions valued at over \$13 trillion.

~Henry Paulson

The most pressing and significant problems in the global economy are unsustainable structural issues with regard to the E.U. - fiscal deficits and the structure of the E.U. itself.

~Henry Paulson

Buying a home today is a complex process, but that in no way excuses home buyers from their obligation for due diligence.

~Henry Paulson

China needs a currency that reflects underlying economic fundamentals.

~Henry Paulson

There is no way to stabilize the markets other than through government intervention.

~Henry Paulson

I've always said, 'I don't want to be irrelevant.'

~Henry Paulson

An open, competitive, and liberalized financial market can effectively allocate scarce resources in a manner that promotes stability and prosperity far better than governmental intervention.

~Henry Paulson

There's a lot of things we could do better.

~Henry Paulson

There is a very real danger that financial regulation will become a wolf in sheep's clothing.

~Henry Paulson

There are some things that you can work on immediately.

~Henry Paulson

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