



[Home](#) [About Me](#) [Contact Me](#) [Issues Serving You](#) [Media Center](#) [Our District](#) [Resources](#)



A Busy First Week of the 113th Congress

Archived Jan 7, 2013



Dear Friend,



My family and I wish you and your family a Happy New Year. There is a lot of work to be done looking towards the coming days and into the 113th Congress, but I would like everyone to count their blessings, take inventory of those in your life that you care for and look towards a new year. With 2013 comes new challenges, but also new beginnings.



Here to Serve You



It has been my pleasure to serve the residents of Arizona's First District for the last two years. Many of the same areas are in the new District I have been elected to represent, Arizona's Fourth District



I encourage people from both areas and throughout the state to stay in touch with me.





"It is my promise to the people of Arizona that with each vote, I will put the U.S. Constitution first and stand up to the business as usual in Washington D.C."

When I took my oath of office I did so understanding the great responsibility that the people of Arizona's Fourth District have placed in me. I will not let them down.

Averting the Fiscal Cliff Is Avoiding Responsibility

I kept my promise to the people of Arizona to make the right choice even when it is not the popular choice. The bill passed this week to avert the Fiscal Cliff, the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (H.R. 8), *raised taxes \$41 for every \$1 cut; this is not how we get our nation back on track.*

Those of us who voted for the Budget Control Act, which allowed the debt ceiling to rise in exchange for meaningful cuts, learned that promises for future cuts rarely, if ever, come.

I remain committed to solving our nation's problems now, not a month from now, not a year from now, but now. This "deal" does not do that and therefore I could not vote for it.



"Promises for future cuts rarely, if ever, come."

As a healthcare provider I understand the significance of a patient acknowledging they have a disease. It is only with this recognition that they can fully participate in their own treatment and overcome it. Our nation has developed an illness - out of control spending, borrowing and taxing. Simple economics and common sense give us the cure.

However, before we can start treatment for our addiction we as a nation have to recognize that we are sick and be willing to stop. This vote was a painful reminder that many still aren't willing to see the constant decline in our nations fiscal health and well being.

Fighting for Fiscal Sanity

This week, I voted for and the House passed legislation to overturn the \$11 Billion Obama "Congressional Pay Hike" Order (H.R. 6726).



Congressman Gosar voted for a Congressional Pay

Freeze.

It is unimaginable that the President would make such an executive order at a time when Americans across the nation are calling for fiscal accountability and responsible spending in Washington D.C. I voted for this bill because it was the right thing to do. Please read [more here](#).

Navajo Generating Station Working Group Is A Good Start

Recently, the Obama Administration's formed a Navajo Generating Station Working Group to develop recommendations on the important Northern Arizona power plant.



I will continue to fight for Arizona's interests.

After years of mixed messages and uncertainty, [the joint statement issued this week](#) seems to imply that the Obama Administration is abandoning a previous proposal that would have done little to improve haze while imposing catastrophic costs on the Arizona economy.

While there are many unanswered questions pertaining to this working group, I hope it signals that the federal government will work with, and not continue to dictate to, Arizona and tribal stakeholders. To read more [please click here](#).

As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter [@repgosar](#), or through [Facebook](#) at Representative Paul Gosar.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul A. Gosar" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S.
Member of Congress

To unsubscribe from these newsletters, please click [here](#).

Washington, DC Office
504 Cannon HOB
Washington, DC 20515
Phone: (202) 225-2315
Fax: (202) 226-9739

Prescott Office
240 South Montezuma St. #101
Prescott, AZ 86303
Phone: (928) 445-1683
Fax: (928) 445-3414