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We Can't Negotiate With Ourselves

Dear Friend,

House Republicans are desperately trying to reopen the government. But President Obama and Senate Democrats still refuse to negotiate, continuing the government shutdown.

In fact, President Obama and Senate Democrats' position is so extreme that they won't even pass temporary measures to restore funding in a few critical areas. The House passed several bills that would reopen the National Institute of Health, ensure National Guard and reservists are paid, fund veterans benefits, reopen our national parks and allow the District of Columbia to use their local funds. This is commonsense legislation that should not be politicized. Democrats, however, refuse to act.

A senior Obama Administration official told the *Wall Street Journal*, "We are winning...It doesn't really matter to us (how long the shutdown lasts)." Click [HERE](#) to read more. Even worse, when asked why he wouldn't vote to one child with cancer by passing the House bill that would provide funding for pediatric cancer research, Senator Harry Reid said, "Why would we want to do that?" Click [HERE](#) to watch.

What are House Republicans Fighting For?

Republicans are fighting for fairness. The Obama Administration is picking and choosing who they force Obamacare on - they have issued more than 1,300 waivers to date - while House Republicans passed a bill to delay Obamacare for everyone. This is anything but fair and we are working towards change.

Our fighting makes a difference. For the first time since the Korean War, total federal spending has gone down for two years in a row. The Budget Control Act of 2011 (BCA) was the largest spending reduction bill of the last 25 years, and represents \$630 billion in savings over five years all from the spending side. BCA was the largest deficit control bill since 1981 not to contain a penny in tax increases. I, along with my Republican colleagues in the House, am fighting

maintain current spending levels, so our country can begin to regain its financial footing.

Shutdown in the News

The Washington Post: "Democrats Betray D.C."

"The District of Columbia repeatedly has been schooled to the hard truth that its interests will get sold out on Capitol Hill whenever that serves party politics...So Congress's refusal to separate the city's right to spend its local tax dollars from the federal government shutdown should come as no surprise. Nonetheless, it's hard not to be stunned by the blatant hypocrisy of Senate and House Democrats who claim to be allies of the District but think so little of betraying its interests." Click [HERE](#) to read more.

Prescott eNews: "Why the Republicans Are Willing to Shutdown Over Obamacare"

"The Republican-led House of Representatives did not want to fund Obamacare, also known as the Affordable Care Act (ACA) which they say will be extremely difficult to manage and ensure. They also are concerned that many businesses will be affected negatively by the ACA, and will reduce the number of employees and worker hours in order to avoid expensive insurance costs. They argue that the ACA isn't ready for "prime time." And they're not the only ones. Even the leaders of three major US unions, including the Teamsters, are unhappy with the ACA." Click [HERE](#) to read more.

Obamacare Launch

Unsurprisingly, Tuesday's rollout of Obamacare was a disaster. The online exchanges were plagued by errors and dysfunction. When my staff logged onto HealthCare.gov - the online marketplace - to see for themselves, a message appeared that read, "The System is down at the moment."



(Picture of Obamacare exchange on its first day, October 1, 2013)

Obamacare must be repealed and replaced with commonsense, market-driven reforms like the [American Health Care Reform Act](#), the republican alternative to Obamacare. It is a pragmatic, practical and portable free-market alternative to the current health care system. Simply put, our bill is a better way forward.

Obamacare Malady of the Week

Workers continue to lose health coverage because of Obamacare. These employees are left to fend for themselves on the dysfunctional Obamacare exchanges. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

Congressional District 4: DID YOU KNOW?

The Hoover Dam was constructed using power from the Kingman Powerhouse, which is now the Kingman Visitor Center and Route 66 Museum.



(Hoover Dam, Photo from www.hdrinc.com)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2013

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY CLEANUP

TIME: 2:00PM - 4:00PM

LOCATION: Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce

175 E. Road 2 South

Chino Valley, AZ 86323

UPDATE: Rep. Gosar will not be in attendance because votes are scheduled on Saturday due to the government shutdown.

REP. PAUL GOSAR

"PRESERVING ARIZONA'S BEAUTY"



ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY
CLEANUP

Saturday, October 5th
2:00pm-4:00pm
Highway 89
Marker Post 326 to 327
Chino Valley, Arizona, 86323

Join Rep. Gosar in collecting highway trash

- Meet Rep. Gosar** and Help Keep Arizona beautiful
- Please bring gloves** and wear long pants and boots
Garbage bags and safety vests will be provided
- Park and meet** at: Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce
175 E. Road 2 South, Chino Valley, AZ 86323
(This lot is right on the corner of Road 2 South, and is directly next to our starting spot at mile marker 326)

SPACE IS LIMITED RSVP to: [Julie Schreiner Julie.Schreiner@mail.house.gov](mailto:Julie.Schreiner@mail.house.gov)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2013

Coffee with the Congressman (Goodyear)

Time: 8:00AM -9:00AM MST

Location: Ground Control

4860 N. Litchfield Rd.

Goodyear, AZ 85395

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REP. GOSAR

COFFEE WITH THE CONGRESSMAN

Monday, October 7th

8:00a.m. – 9:00a.m.

Ground Control

4860 N. Litchfield Rd.

Goodyear, AZ 85395

Receive Help with Federal Agencies

- Social Security Administration
- Department of Veterans Affairs
- Small Business Administration
- Internal Revenue Service
- And more...

Getting to Know You

- Meet Congressman Gosar and His Staff
- Discuss the issues on your mind

Rep. Gosar remains committed to being **open and accessible to you**

Contact: Penny Pew
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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

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