Dear Friend,

I have always been incredibly proud to serve Arizona's 4th District in Congress, but this week might go down as the most memorable yet. It was a great week for America and a great week for Arizona. The House passed two of the most important bills I have introduced to date and both are expected to be signed into law before the end of the year! Both of my bills had overwhelming support from Republicans and Democrats and will create and sustain nearly 8,000 jobs right here in Arizona.

Building a stronger environment for job creation and economic growth in our state was one of the primary reasons I ran for Congress. Unfortunately, President Obama and his party haven't had the same priorities. They squandered the first two years of his administration enacting an extremely flawed and overreaching healthcare bill. They have spent the last two years trying to give amnesty to illegal immigrants for the purposes of unconstitutionally adding more Democrat voters to their voting bloc.

Their main objectives are short-sighted as well as misguided and they forgot the fundamental cure to combating a sluggish economy: jobs that bring real prosperity to the people of America and the great State of Arizona. When hard working citizens and Arizonans have good paying jobs, it creates a domino effect that positively impacts our schools, small businesses and local communities. Not having to worry about putting food on the table or where their next paycheck is going to come from lifts people out of poverty and can grant real opportunities for citizens looking to pursue their God given right to happiness. In order to make this happen, we must keep fighting to get barriers to economic growth out of the way of America's job creators and entrepreneurs. The passage of my two bills is a monumental accomplishment that I am proud to have led and I am more determined than ever to continue fighting for good paying jobs and economic prosperity. Keep reading to learn more about my two bills passed by the House.



The first of my two bills unanimously passed the House this past Monday and then unanimously passed the Senate on Tuesday. This bipartisan legislation, titled the Bill Williams Water Rights Settlement Act, is good for private property owners, good for local and county economies, settles an outstanding water rights dispute and will result in a net water benefit to Western Arizona. The first bill provides water certainty for a large mine in western Arizona that has an economic impact of \$339.1 million dollars annually to the state of Arizona, and sustains nearly 4,000 direct and indirect jobs.

The merits of the settlement approved by my legislation were so clear that it had unanimous support from every member of Arizona's bipartisan delegation as well as the House and Senate. This settlement ensures that a key mining operation will continue to employ thousands of Arizonans and allows a water rights dispute to be resolved without taxpayer money. Additionally, Mohave County gains additional public land access for hunting and fishing as well as benefiting from good paying jobs and tax revenue associated with continued use of the Bagdad Mine. Click the picture below to read more about this bill.



The second of my two bills, which passed the House on Thursday, was one of the first bills I sponsored as a member of Congress titled the Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act. Its passage means that Arizona is one step closer to adding 4,000 new jobs and more than \$60 billion over its lifetime to the economically-depressed Town of Superior, Arizona and the surrounding region.

This bill will lead to new critical mineral production and paves the way for

mining one of the largest copper deposits ever discovered in North America, producing enough copper to meet nearly 25% of U.S. demand. Copper is once again king in Arizona, and our military and our manufacturing base will be assured of critical domestic copper supplies. Click the picture below to read more about this bill.



Making History for All the WRONG Reasons

Despite all the good news relating to my legislation there was also some discouraging news. On Wednesday the U.S. national debt hit...

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America's debt was at \$10.6 trillion when Obama took office in 2009, and the big spending policies of his administration have increased this burden by 70 percent during his almost six years in office. If you divide up that debt equally among every man, woman and child in the United States it would total about \$56,250 per person. This is beyond irresponsible and you better believe that the Republican controlled House and Senate will make it one of our top priorities to rein in this abuse and return to passing budgets that gets our nation back on track to fiscal sustainability.



After Thanksgiving, Time for Giving Back

Last Thursday was Thanksgiving and I hope you had a pleasant holiday with friends and family. But now that we have moved into the Christmas season, it is important to remember all of our blessings for which we are grateful and recognize the personal responsibility we all have to give back.

Recently, there has been a trend to promote the first Tuesday after Thanksgiving as #GivingTuesday in response to Black Friday and Cyber Monday. No matter what your political views, we should all take time to volunteer and support local charities working to help those less fortunate than us.



Last week I was able to join two outstanding organizations, the Living Faith Church in Prescott Valley and the Yavapai Food Bank, to help pack up Thanksgiving dinners for needy families. Make an effort to reach out to a local charity and find ways to help your community using the gifts you have been given.

Honoring an Arizona Hero

There is nothing I take more pride in than serving and supporting Arizona's veterans and all of our men and women in uniform. Last month, I was honored to help Arthur M. Guida, of Payson Arizona, obtain his military medals. He courageously earned those medals during his honorable service in World War II but ultimately never received them until now.

Mr. Guida was a radioman second class and saw combat in the Pacific and New Guinea. His medals include the Navy Good Conduct Medal, WWII Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Button and the Honorable Service Lapel pin.

You can read more about this Arizona hero by clicking the picture below. And as always if you or anyone you know, need assistance with any veteran's issues, you can always contact my office at (928) 445-1683.



Next week is the final scheduled week that Congress will be in session in Washington D.C. and there are many important legislative decisions that still need to be made before the end of the year including spending bills that authorize funding for fiscal year 2015. Make sure you keep a close eye on my website (http://gosar.house.gov), on Twitter @RepGosar or through Facebook at Representative Paul Gosar.

Sincerely,

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

