Preserving America’s Entrepreneurial, Competitive Spirit

As a small business owner, I understand small firms will provide the most significant impact on America’s economic growth and recovery. That is why I will be hosting an “Entrepreneurship Panel Discussion and Roundtable” and networking opportunity for local self-starters, small business owners and the public on September 7th in Prescott. Local entrepreneurs, representatives from colleges and universities, bankers and members from the Small Business Administration will share their ideas on starting and growing a business in the current economy and cutting back on the regulations that are stopping new businesses from taking off.

During the networking session and roundtable discussion, the panel and many in the audience, who advise entrepreneurs on a daily basis, will be present to answer questions and provide information on how to most effectively succeed in the current economic and political climate.

The panelists and small business field experts will include:

- **Paul Hickman**, President/CEO, Arizona Bankers Association (ABA) - *Moderator*
- **Glenn Hamer**, President/CEO, Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- **Russ Yelton**, President/CEO, Northern Arizona Center for Entrepreneurship and Technology (NACET),
- **Farrell Quinlan**, Arizona State Director, National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB),
- **Robert J. Blaney**, District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), and
- **Kristian Richardson**, Senior International Trade Specialist, US & Foreign Commercial Service
- **And others!**

We must continue to give all Americans the chance to innovate, create and thrive. Together, through an open dialogue we can find a solution. Again, I encourage you to come to the “Entrepreneurship Panel Discussion and Roundtable” to learn of current funding and loan opportunities, to know what organizations are in your community to help you start and grow your business, and for me to hear your concerns about the federal government’s impact on entrepreneurship.

Please contact Jim Knupp, my Outreach Coordinator and Business Liaison, at 928-308-3838 or by email at Jim.Knupp@mail.house.gov if you have any questions or would like to participate in the networking and informational dialogue.

I look forward to seeing you there,

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