

# Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address December 23, 2011

## “As 2011 Comes to an End, We Must Look to the Future”

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Hello this is your Congressman Michael Burgess. As the first session of the 112th Congress comes to a close, many Americans are still facing tough times. Job creation continues to be a main concern as unemployment has remained above eight percent for thirty-four consecutive months. During the year I met with constituents across the District, many of whom are small business owners, and I heard countless times about the uncertainty they are facing and as a result the hesitation they have in hiring.

I ran a small business myself, and I believe the best thing the federal government can do is get out of the way of businesses and let them create jobs. Republicans in the House of Representatives have passed over 20 bills that have yet to come up for a vote in the Senate. Most of these would focus on job creation, relieving the regulatory burden, and I believe we could do even more. As America continues to face hardships we must remind ourselves that a better road is ahead. With dedication and commitment, we can build this great country back and we can create a better future for our children and grandchildren.

It has been an honor to represent you in the United States House of Representatives, and I have done my best to advocate on behalf of your best interests. I have never forgotten that my service to our great nation is because of you and I appreciate the opportunity you have afforded me.

I would also like to wish you a very, Merry Christmas as we celebrate the holiday season. As family and friends come together, we must not forget our brave men and women fighting all around the world for our freedom, and they will be away from their loved ones during this holiday time. It is because of their sacrifices that we are able to enjoy freedom and this joyous season.

Thank you for taking the time to listen. God bless you and your family. And as always, may God bless Texas.