

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address August 23, 2013

“Concerns for Obamacare

Hello, this is your Congressman Michael Burgess. I'm coming to you today from Grace Community Church in Southlake, Texas. We've just finished doing a community-wide event with the Northeast Tarrant Tea Party, which was essentially a large, public town hall. We heard from people from all walks of life on what their concerns are of what they're seeing is happening in Washington and at the levels of the state government as well.

The thing once again I heard over and over again is people are concerned, upset, frightened by what they see happening to the nation's healthcare with the implementation of the Affordable Care Act. They don't want it to happen. They want to see Congress work to cut off the funding for the implementation, and in fact, keep the workings of the government going, but not fund this implementation.

The thing that really has people aggravated more than anything at all is the fact that Congress has set itself apart and different from the average American. The fact that members of Congress are going to be exempt or receive additional subsidy is one of the things that people simply do not understand why they have to live by one set of rules and Congressmen live by another. That coupled with the fact that the President gave a pass to large employers in the relief on the employer mandate.

All of these things taken together are additional information that this Affordable Care Act is not ready for primetime. They've had three and a half years, billions and billions of dollars. If they can't get it right without exemptions and waivers, it's time to put a halt to it.

Thanks for taking the time to listen. For more information on this issue and other issues before the United States Congress, please visit my website at burgess.house.gov. May God bless you and your family, and as always, may God bless Texas.