

New Map of the

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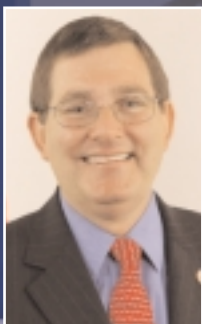
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CONGRESSMAN

Michael C. Burgess

THE 108TH REVIEW

Dear Fellow North Texans,

I am honored to represent you in the U.S. House of Representatives, and I commend you for providing me with this privilege over the past year-and-a-half. During the 108th Congress, America has seen growth in jobs, a decrease in taxes, an improved, market-driven health care system and the emergence of a democracy in Iraq. We have also been witness to great tragedies, such as the death former President Ronald Reagan and the loss of brave men and women fighting for victory in the ongoing War on Terrorism.

I have worked diligently to reach out to all of the constituents of the 26th District of Texas. I'm proud of the 60 town hall meetings I've held in every community in every county in the District. In the over 1,000 speaking engagements, I greatly appreciate the questions and feedback you have provided to help make me a better representative.

We pay too many taxes to the federal government, but I can assure you that I fight very hard to bring home your hard-earned tax dollars to North Texas. From crucial funding for I-35 to cutting edge research dollars for the University of North Texas, I make sure your voice is heard.

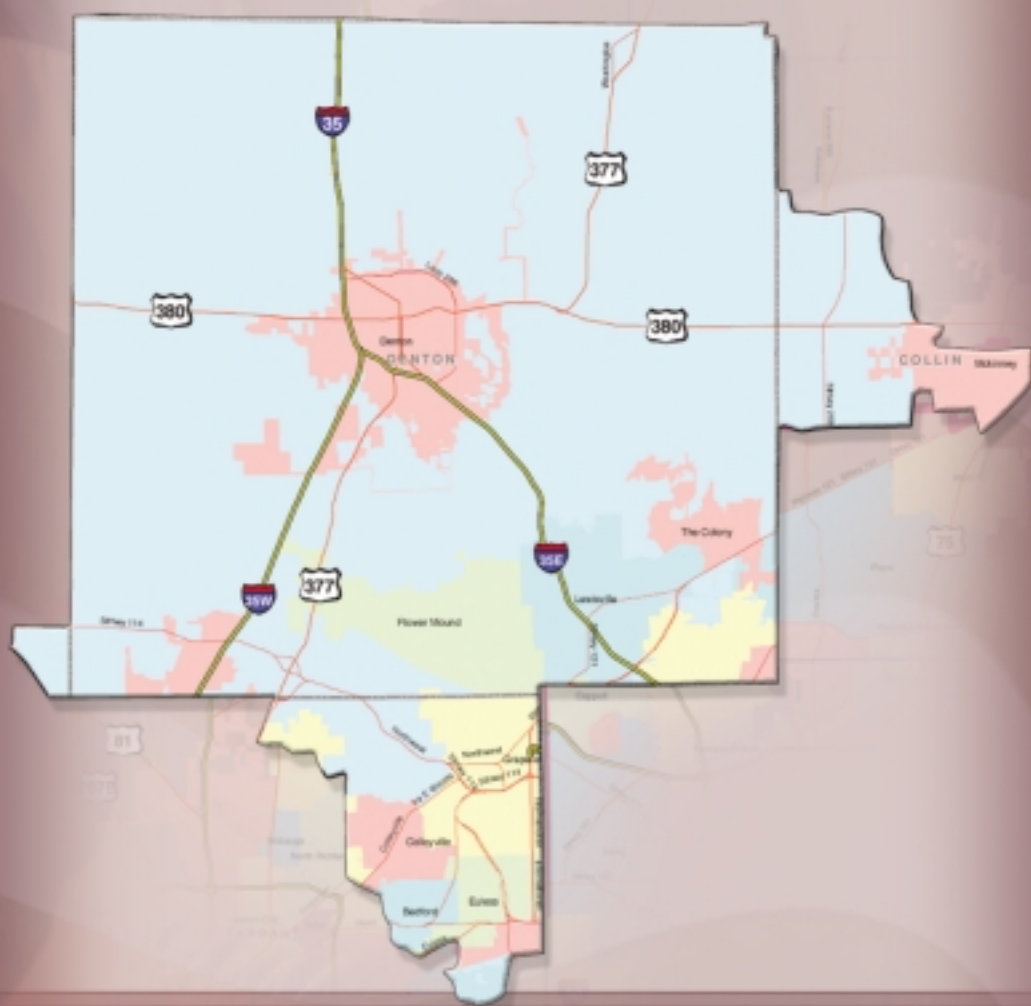
As you know, the 26th District will change in January 2005. I am saddened that I will no longer be representing Collin and Wise Counties, as well as, the cities of Carrollton, Hebron, Grapevine, Euless, Bedford, Colleyville and Southlake in Denton and Tarrant Counties respectively. However, I look forward to representing the constituents of the new 26th District and pledge to offer them the same quality of service and dedication. I have presented both maps side-by-side so that you can review the changes in the 26th District. Please contact me or my staff if you have any specific questions.

I hope that the following information and review of the 108th Congress provides you a glimpse of important legislation handled during this Congress. As always, I encourage you to contact me directly through my website at www.house.gov/burgess.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael C. Burgess". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Previous Map of the
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Congressman Michael C. Burgess meets with the friendly folks in The Colony Chamber of Commerce to discuss federal legislation.

KEY LEGISLATION IN

Health Care

■ Prescription Drugs/Medicare

All Seniors are guaranteed access to affordable prescription drug coverage with more choices and significantly discounted prices

■ Health Savings Accounts

Tax-free, portable savings accounts provide individuals and groups the power of deciding where to spend their health care dollars

■ Patient Safety Bill

Doctors, hospitals and patients are working together to establish new patient safety requirements that will dramatically reduce medical errors.

■ Medical Liability Reform

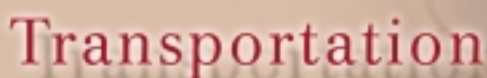
Texas leads a growing list of states which are effectively halting frivolous, costly, medical lawsuits that only benefit personal injury attorneys; as Chairman of the House Policy Subcommittee on Health, I am working in Congress and with President Bush toward a federal policy. The House has already passed this legislation twice.

MICHAEL C. BURGESS

Getting the Job Done

THE 108TH CONGRESS

Transportation



■ **Highway Reauthorization (H.R. 3550)**

As a Member of the Transportation Committee, I'm working for a comprehensive transportation bill that will provide federal dollars to improve America's aging transportation infrastructure and will bring much-needed transportation funding to North Texas.

■ **The Reforming, Accelerating, and Protecting Interstate Design Act of 2003 (H.R. 2864)**

I introduced The Reforming, Accelerating, and Protecting Interstate Design Act of 2003, or "RAIPD" Act, which will allow large transportation systems to be built in less time and save money by allowing roads to be built in common sense increments as they are needed.

■ **States' Highway Alliance for Real Equity (S. 1072)**

For every tax dollar collected in Texas, the State only gets back 86 cents for Texas transportation projects. I am committed to ensuring that the State receives a 95 percent rate of return.

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Economy & Taxes

■ **Jobs and Growth Tax Act 2003**

More of your hard-earned tax dollars coming home to you. This bill places money in your hands. Now you can invest your money back into your family, your career or retirement goals.

■ **Flat Tax Solution for Fundamental Tax Reform**

I introduced "The Freedom Flat Tax Act," which would give every taxpayer the freedom to opt into a pro-growth tax system that will restore fairness, simplicity, and efficiency to our tax code.



Rep. Michael Burgess meets with 26th District constituents stationed in Iraq, SPC Krystyn Jeter and CAPT Gregory Baker, to discuss the War on Iraq.

BURGESS BRINGS HOME NORTH TEXAS' TAX DOLLARS

Fiscal Year 2004 Appropriations

Transportation-Treasury

\$ 700,000	Widening Interstate 35 East between FM 2181 and Lake Lewisville (Denton Co.)
\$ 300,000	“Ways to Work” (Tarrant Co.)
\$ 2,000,000	Denton Municipal Airport Improvements
\$ 4,000,000	McKinney Municipal Airport Improvements (Repair runway and taxiway)
\$ 160,000	Bus purchases (Grapevine, TX)
\$ 925,000	Interstate 35 Trinity River Bridge
\$ 925,000	Interstate 35 East/Interstate 625 Interchange

Commerce-Justice-State

\$ 500,000	District Attorney’s Office (Tarrant County) will receive funding for their Automated Fingerprint Identification System
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Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education

\$ 250,000	Voyager Universal Literacy Program funding will be given to the Lewisville ISD
\$ 300,000	University of North Texas (UNT) will receive funds for Laboratory Experience and Development of Early Researchers
\$ 250,000	UNT and Paul Quinn College (Denton, TX) will receive funds for a Science and Math (SAM) Teacher Academy

Veterans Affairs-Housing and Urban Development

\$ 250,000	Texas Institute for Environmental Assessment and Management at UNT for watershed research
\$ 200,000	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s Economic Development Initiative (EDI) Program for infrastructure for downtown development (Denton, TX)

Department of Defense

\$ 3,200,000	UNT Center for Advanced Research and Technology (CART)
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Energy-Water

\$ 1,200,000	Lake Ray Roberts, Army Corps of Engineers for maintenance upgrades
\$ 500,000	UNT Center for Advanced Research and Technology (CART)