

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address March 18, 2016
“In the Defense of Article I of the Constitution”

Hello this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess.

On February 16th of this year, Judge Andrew Hannon in Texas issued a temporary injunction enjoining the implementation of President Obama’s illegal executive amnesty, which is issued the previous November.

The judge’s ruling was appealed by the Administration but Judge Hannon’s decision as upheld by the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals.

The Supreme Court will rule on whether President Obama’s executive amnesty in Texas violates the duty of the president under Article II of the Constitution. This executive order would grant amnesty for all unauthorized immigrants that arrive in Texas.

This is another example of the Obama Administration’s continued and brazen effort to work around Congress’ authority.

In an unprecedented and historic event this week, the House of Representatives authorized Speaker of the House Paul Ryan to file a brief on behalf of the whole House in order to defend Congress’ Article I powers.

We are a country built on the principle of self-governance. There is no government without the consent of the governed.

Only the United States Congress is permitted to write laws—that is the job which the American people elected us to do.

President Obama is acting outside of his Article II power when he begins legislating.

We will continue working in the House of Representatives to enforce the separation of powers and prevent the executive branch from encroaching on the responsibilities of the legislative branch.

As always, I appreciate your comments and questions on this issue or any other.

May God bless you and your family, thank God for Judge Hannon and as the song says, God bless you Texas.