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Tim Burns for Congress

Burns Statement on President's Renewed Healthcare Push

Johnstown, PA - Today, successful small businessman and candidate for Congress Tim Burns released the following statement in response to President Obama's latest push to pass a healthcare bill which costs a trillion dollars, cuts Medicare and includes job-killing tax hikes:

"Unfortunately, I do not believe that the President or Democrats in Congress are listening to the American people.

We should not spend money we don't have, cut Medicare and force more job-killing taxes on middle-class people who are already struggling."

"In the town hall meetings I've hosted and the conversations I've had with voters across Western Pennsylvania, it's clear they feel that we have the greatest healthcare system in the world.

And I am adamantly against doing anything that would change that.

As an entrepreneur of a healthcare technology company, I believe that we can increase access to quality, affordable healthcare without raising taxes.

Congress should begin by taking incremental, commonsense steps toward solving this problem, such as implementing tort reform, and allowing consumers to purchase health insurance across state lines.

And Congress should level the playing field between large corporations and individuals who wish to purchase healthcare insurance by allowing the purchase of health insurance to be tax deductible."

"I am disappointed because this plan amounts to a government takeover of healthcare. In Congress, the Democratic takeover of healthcare hinges on one vote.

I am opposed to government run healthcare, and I will adamantly fight for lower taxes while protecting Medicare for seniors across Western Pennsylvania."