



Happy New Year !!!

I said I would resume my weekly Bulletins on January 13 and I did intend to do that. But time just got away from me.

January 13 was a very exciting day for me personally as I was sworn into office to begin my new four-year term following re-election last September. I am optimistic about the opportunities ahead of us, even though the economy is definitely going to give us worse problems that we have now.

We are all reading and hearing so much about the national, state, and local economy. The situations are going to become increasingly difficult in the months ahead. But I firmly believe that while we are making the painful and sad decisions that will need to be made, we must also put ourselves on a path to achieve greater economic prosperity. We must not let down on our economic development efforts; in fact, we must increase them.

In my remarks following my swearing-in on January 13, 2009 I presented comments regarding the many successes we have had; an acknowledgment of the current economic challenges; and my goals for the immediate future. ([Click Here](#)) to read my acceptance speech on our city website.

Thanks to the Arizona Cardinals, Glendale is once again in the national spotlight. The media attention has been tremendous --- this really does feel a lot like the days leading up to the Super Bowl in Glendale just eleven months ago.

We are very happy for the team and all associated with the Cardinals organization. I hope you will all show your pride and spirit by wearing "Cardinals red" all the way through Sunday.

Thank you for your continued interest in the City of Glendale. Please keep in touch with me and share your thoughts and ideas on any issues concerning our community.