

It's not just the economy turning around. It's turning around the lives of hard-working people, making sure that that hard work finally pays off. It's making sure you finally get that job you're looking for or the raise you deserve or a little bit of security or the retirement that you've earned or being able to send your kid to college so their lives are better than yours. That's what this is about.

So I just want everybody to know that we have been through some tough times, but we are moving. There are workers today with jobs who didn't have jobs last year. There are families who have got health insurance who didn't have health insurance before. There are students who are in college right now who didn't think they could afford it before. There are heroes who had served tour after tour who are fi-

nally home with their families. There are auto-workers who are building great American cars now when they thought that those plants were going to shut down.

America is coming back. And the key, Arizona, is for us all to work together to make sure we keep it going.

Thank you, everybody. God bless you. God bless America.

NOTE: The President spoke at 11:06 a.m. In his remarks, he referred to Bruce Arians, head coach, National Football League's Arizona Cardinals; Kent P. Scriber, superintendent, Phoenix Union High School District; and former Rep. Gabrielle D. Giffords, her husband Mark Kelly, and brother-in-law Scott Kelly.

## Statement on Senator Barbara L. Boxer's Decision Not To Seek Reelection January 8, 2015

Barbara Boxer is more than a Senator, she's an institution. She's served the people of California for more than three decades with distinction, fighting for the issues that are close to their homes and hearts. Thanks to Barbara, more Americans breathe clean air and drink clean water. More women have access to health care. More children have safe places to go after school. More public lands have been protected for future generations. More Americans travel on safe roads and bridges. And

more young women have been inspired to achieve their biggest dreams, having Barbara as an incredible role model.

It's been a pleasure to work with Barbara. She works as hard as anyone to get things done for the people of California. When she leaves the Senate at the end of this term, she will be missed greatly. But for now, I'm looking forward to working with her for the next 2 years, on behalf of Californians and all Americans.

## Remarks at Pellissippi State Community College in Knoxville, Tennessee January 9, 2015

Hello, everybody! Hey! Thank you! Everybody, please have a seat. Please have a seat. Well, it is good to be back in Tennessee. I hope you guys aren't getting tired of me. I've been coming around a lot lately, because there's a lot of good stuff happening here.

I want to begin by thanking Joe and Jill Biden. They're not just good friends and good partners, but they really believe in the power of education, and they really believe in creating those kinds of ladders to opportunity that gave

all three of us and Michelle the chances, the incredible opportunities that we've had today. And they understand the promise of America's community colleges. Well, Jill really understands it, and Joe—[laughter]—he doesn't really have a choice. But—[laughter].

Before I get into the reason that I'm here today, I want to begin by saying just a few words about the tragic events that we've watched unfold in France over the last several hours and days. And because events have been fast mov-