Congress of the United States House of Representatives Mashington, DC 20515–4303

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The Honorable Texas House of Representatives P.O. Box 2910 Austin, Texas 78768-2910

Dear Representative

On November 5, 2024, President Trump won the popular vote with over 77 million votes nationwide, including over 6.3 million from Texas. President Trump's historic win energized the conservative movement and bolstered the number of Republican Representatives in the Texas House. With your own victory comes an increased responsibility to follow the November 5th mandate entrusted to you by Texas voters.

As you know, at the national level, our Republican majority in the U.S. House was razor thin in the 118th Congress, yet no Democrats were appointed as House committee chairs—a standard that will continue in the 119th Congress and beyond. This should be a fundamental principle of not only the U.S. House but of the Texas House as well.

There is no justification for any Republican Texas House Member to work with Democrats to elect a Speaker who will appoint Democrats to chair committee positions in exchange for political support. As you know, a committee chairman wields significant power—they determine what is considered by a committee, committee schedules, and what will ultimately be brought to the House Floor for a vote. Ceding that power to Democrats is an abdication of the authority granted by the people who elected you. For several years, crucial conservative priorities and legislation have been blocked by Democrat Chairmen—including the critical Resolutions Calendar Committee, which determines which resolutions are considered on the Floor. We will not allow this to happen in the U.S. House, and you should not allow this to happen in the Texas House.

Your Republican constituents are united on this issue.

In light of the November election results, we have a clear mandate accompanied by a rare opportunity that seldom arises on the political landscape—the chance to make substantive changes that will be impactful for generations. We must not squander this opportunity!

We urge you to stand with the Texas House Republican Majority and support the Texas House Republican Caucus nominee for Speaker.

Sincerely,

Keith Self / Member of Congress

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