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Dear Officeholder,

Today, the Republican Party of Texas issues this Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44 notice.

On Saturday, October 11, 2025, the State Republican Executive Committee will convene in the Extension Auditorium of the Texas Capitol to deliberate on a Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44 resolution of censure against you. The meeting will commence at 10:00 a.m.

In accordance with Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44, you will be given an opportunity to speak before the State Republican Executive Committee at this meeting. I **strongly** encourage you to attend and communicate directly to the State Republican Executive Committee. To be clear, the rule allows an “opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC.” No proxy will be permitted to speak on behalf of the Officeholder. **For planning purposes, please let me know by October 3, 2025, if we can expect you on October 11.**

Kindly review the resolutions of censures contained herein. These resolutions were received from County Executive Committees and will be included in the Resolutions Committee report on October 11 for consideration by the State Republican Executive Committee. Pursuant to Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44, the State Republican Executive Committee may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the penalties.

The Republican Party of Texas Rules clearly invoke the spirit of due process, rule of law, and fundamental rights. As such, as we did with the Legislative Task Force Report, we would like to provide you with an opportunity to provide written commentary to the State Republican Executive Committee ahead of the October 11, 2025 meeting. I **strongly** encourage you to provide written commentary. **Please send all written commentary to me by 5 p.m. on October 3, 2025, for distribution to the State Republican Executive Committee.**

As County Executive Committees have deliberated on censure resolutions, several key points have emerged. First, it is crucial that all relevant facts are presented to the grassroots prior to any decision-making process. Second, personal attacks and threats, particularly those directed through intermediaries, are counterproductive. Third, when officeholders engage in direct and constructive dialogue, positive outcomes are often achieved.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

For Texas, For America,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Abraham George". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Abraham George
Chairman, Republican Party of Texas

Enclosures

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of Representative Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, Texas House Speaker Dustin Burrows as Speaker represents all counties in the State of Texas and Rule No. 44 states that “any County Executive Committee (CEC), County Convention, or Senatorial District Convention may originate a censure resolution against the Speaker of the Texas House”; and

WHEREAS, the Hays County Republican Party and the Dallas County Republican Party passed resolutions to censure State Representative Dustin Burrows as Speaker of the Texas House, in addition to the Brazos County Republican Party; and

WHEREAS, The constituent Precinct Chairs of the Brazos County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Brazos County Republican Party Executive Committee on August 26, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure Dustin Burrows, Speaker of the Texas House” which identified, among other grievances, the following three actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On the final Republican Caucus ballot for Speaker nominee, Representative David Cook was chosen by a majority of the Republican representatives; however, on January 14, 2025, the opening day of the Texas House, Representative Burrows committed a censurable act by not voting for the Republican Caucus nominee for Speaker; Republican members had pledged to vote as a unified body for the Speaker nominee selected by the Republican Caucus, but instead he voted for himself twice (Record Votes 2 and 3), therefore violating Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility”; Democrat representatives made seconding speeches for his nomination, and he obtained a majority of his votes from Democrat representatives (Record Vote 3; 49 Democrats, 36 Republicans for Burrows), thus signaling an intent to continue violating Principle 5; and
2. Speaker Dustin Burrows is responsible for the following items leading to and including the January 23, 2025, passage of the House Rules of Procedure (HR 4); the Speaker of the Texas House is ultimately responsible for all House activities, but especially for his leadership role to

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organize the session; specifically, as a participant in the adoption of the House Rules (HR 4), Speaker Burrows:

- (a) Selected and hired a Democrat parliamentarian, as well as a Democrat parliamentary consultant, who participated in the creating, modifying, deleting, and editing the House Rules (HR 4); the presence of Democrat parliamentary consultant Hugh Brady's initials in the draft Rules demonstrated that Speaker Burrows violated RPT Platform Principle 5 "Personal Accountability and Responsibility"; and
 - (b) Oversaw a process of adopting the House Rules (HR 4) which prevented debate or amendments:
 - Representatives received the 384-page proposed Rules at approximately 4 a.m. on January 23, 2025, providing members only several hours to review the document;
 - When the House convened, Speaker Burrows did not allow members to delay to the next business day (January 27, 2025) the vote on the Rules;
 - Representative Jared Patterson quickly moved the Previous Question on HR 4, a significant action because it imposed a "nuclear option" to end debate and to prevent Republican members from presenting amendments to the House Rules, thus violating 2024 Republican Party of Texas Platform Principle 1 by denying representation to the people of Texas on key issues in the legislative process;
 - The existence of a list of members to second the Previous Question motion demonstrates advanced organizational planning to end debate;
 - The Previous Question motion passed (Record Vote 9), and the House Rules of Procedure (HR 4) were immediately adopted (Record Vote 10), thereby violating Legislative Priority #4 "No Democrat Chairs"; and
3. In the 89th Regular Session, Speaker Dustin Burrows appointed six Democrat chairs to standing House subcommittees as follows:
- Phillip Cortez, Defense & Veterans Affairs
 - Harold V. Dutton, Family & Fiduciary Relationships
 - Rafael Anchia, Telecommunications & Broadband
 - Oscar Longoria, Workforce
 - Terry Canales, Transportation Funding
 - Chris Turner, Property Tax Appraisals

violating the Republican Party Legislative Priority #4, "No Democrat Chairs"; and

WHEREAS, the Brazos County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Dustin Burrows' office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the Brazos County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Dustin Burrows by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all precinct chairs, even those not in attendance; and

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WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Dustin Burrows expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder’s campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution’s passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party’s general fund on voter education in the Officeholder’s district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy”; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Brazos County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose “penalties 1 and 2 as set forth in Rule No. 44”; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the Brazos County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes penalties 1 and 2 identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Dustin Burrows as follows:

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Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Dustin Burrows is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 13, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Angie Chen Button

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 112 of the Dallas County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Dallas County Republican Party Executive Committee on June 16, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure State Representative Angie Chen Button,” which identified, among other grievances, the following four actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On January 14, 2025, Representative Angie Chen Button opposed RPT Principle 5 of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as “Personal accountability and responsibility” by violating key Plank 213(a) which states in part: “*We also call for Republican members to vote as a unified body for their selected Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore candidate when the Legislature convenes in regular session, provided that the individual selected in caucus for speaker publicly pledges to comply with the entirety of this plank.*” [emphasis added] Representative Button violated Plank 213(a) on January 14, 2025, by not voting for the Republican Caucus Nominee for Speaker of the House, and instead voting for Dustin Burrows, who had not pledged to comply with the entirety of the plank (Record Votes 2 and 3); and
2. On January 23, 2025, Representative Angie Chen Button violated the voters’ rights as stated in the Republican Party Preamble and Article 1, Section 2, of the Texas Constitution: by imposing the “nuclear option” motion on the Texas House floor, which cut off any opportunity for amendments and any debate on the new rules, she violated the voters’ rights to proper representation through their elected State Representatives. This egregious act disrespected the members of the Texas House of Representatives and millions of voters in Texas. Allowing deliberation is the bedrock of our Republic. Not allowing deliberation is tyranny (Record Vote 9); and
3. On January 23, 2025, Representative Angie Chen Button violated Legislative Priority #4 – No Democrat Chairs: “The Republican-controlled Texas Legislature shall end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats and require all committees to be majority Republican.” Representative Button circumvented the true intent of the Republican Party’s “No

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Democrat Chairs” Legislative Priority by voting in favor of mandating the appointment of non-Republican committee vice chairs, with sweeping new powers as co-chairs, as per HR 4, Rule 4, Sec. 4A: “ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS. If, at the time the speaker announces the membership of standing committees, the members of the house of one political party constitute a majority of the membership of the house, the speaker shall designate a member of that party to serve as chair of each standing committee. *The speaker shall not designate a member of that party to serve as vice-chair of a standing committee*” [emphasis added] (Record Vote 10); and

4. Representative Angie Chen Button committed 36 separate additional censurable acts, for each of the 30 committee vice chair positions awarded to a Democrat and each of the six subcommittee Chair positions awarded to a Democrat for the current legislative session in opposition to “Legislative Priority #4 – No Democrat Chairs” adopted at the most recent Republican Party of Texas State Convention, as described in Rule No. 34(c) (Record Vote 10); and

WHEREAS, the Dallas County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Angie Chen Button’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 112 of the Dallas County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Angie Chen Button by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Angie Chen Button expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and she would be eligible to run for reelection to her House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder’s campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution’s passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party’s general fund on voter

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education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy"; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Dallas County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose "all applicable penalties set forth in Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas Rules, including but not limited to refusing to accept any application from her for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 112 of the Dallas County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Angie Chen Button as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

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Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Angie Chen Button is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
August 19, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Cody Harris

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 8 of the Henderson County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Henderson County Republican Party Executive Committee meeting on June 30, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure State Representative Cody Harris (HD 8),” which identified, among other grievances, the following eight actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. Voting against the House Republican Caucus’ chosen candidate for Speaker, in violation of RPT Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility” by disregarding the unified will of the Republican legislative delegation and failing to honor the requirement to support the caucus nominee, thereby undermining the Party’s cohesion and his accountability to Republican voters (Record Vote 2); and
2. Voting in favor of “Previous Question,” thus closing debate on HR 4, the 2025 House Rules, in violation of RPT Legislative Priority #4 “No Democrat Chairs” by silencing amendments and dissent that were vital to preventing Democrat chairs of committees, Democrat vice chairs with substantial power equal to committee chairs, and Democrat vice chairs of subcommittees; RPT Principle 1 “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas;” and RPT Principle 5 “Personal accountability and responsibility” by curtailing open debate and offering of amendments on a matter of significant importance to the Republican caucus and the public, thereby denying both constituents and fellow legislators the opportunity for full deliberation, transparency, and proper representation in the legislative process; furthermore, the RPT passed a “Resolution Condemning Vote for Previous Question on House Rules” dated February 6, 2025, that states that the RPT “...considers a vote in favor of Previous Question on HR 4 to be a violation of the Legislative Priority to Ban Democrat Chairs for the purposes of censure under Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44” (Record Vote 9); and
3. Voting in favor of HB 34, a bill allowing state investments in foreign entities including adversaries, in violation of RPT Legislative Priority #7 “Texas is Not for Sale” (Record Vote 3432); and

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4. Voting in favor of HB 366, a bill regulating AI-generated political memes, in violation of RPT Principle 1 “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas,” RPT Principle 3 “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom,” and RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions” by chilling free speech protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution (Record Vote 982); and
5. Voting in favor of an amendment #4 to SB 17, an amendment that undermined efforts to eliminate foreign entities from purchasing Texas land, in violation of RPT Legislative Priority #7 “Texas is Not for Sale” by permitting foreign citizens legally present in the United States to purchase Texas land, thereby creating a legal loophole that adversarial nations can exploit (Record Vote 1848); and
6. Voting in favor of SB 22, a bill that allocates up to \$2.5 billion to Texas film and television production incentives, in violation of RPT Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility” by supporting a massive subsidy funded by taxpayers rather than opposing government overreach in economic affairs, and RPT Principle 9 “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies” by supporting substantial state spending on special-interest programs rather than prioritizing conservative stewardship of public finances, abdicating his responsibility to uphold core Republican values of limited government, individual accountability, and prudent budget management, by instead endorsing a large-scale corporate welfare scheme that undermines RPT Principles (Record Vote 3541); and
7. Voting in favor of SB 1, a bill that expanded state spending by over 40%, in violation of RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions,” RPT Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility,” and RPT Principle 9 “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies” by supporting bloated government growth and disregarding conservative stewardship of taxpayer funds (Record Vote 174); and
8. Voting in favor of amendment #4 to SB 3070, an amendment that preserved and restructured the Texas Lottery Commission rather than allowing it to sunset, in violation of RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions,” RPT Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility” by encouraging voluntary taxation among the most economically vulnerable, and RPT Principle 9 “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies,” by voting to continue a state-run gambling enterprise that promotes regressive taxation, undermines personal responsibility, and perpetuates reliance on non-productive state revenue sources; the amendment extended its operation and enshrined protections for existing vendor contracts, contrary to the Party’s stated priority of reducing the size and scope of government and eliminating programs not authorized by the Constitution (Record Vote 3537); and

WHEREAS, the Henderson County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Cody Harris’ office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

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WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 8 of the Henderson County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Cody Harris by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Cody Harris expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder’s campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution’s passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party’s general fund on voter education in the Officeholder’s district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy”; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Henderson County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC “impose all penalties under RPT Rule No. 44,” including Penalty 3, refusal to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure; now

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 8 of the Henderson County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Cody Harris as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Cody Harris is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 9, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Stan Lambert

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 71 of the Taylor County Republican Party at the meeting of the Taylor County Republican Party Executive Committee meeting August 28, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure Representative Stan Lambert,” which identified, among other grievances, the following eight actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. At the May 2024 Republican Party of Texas State Convention, delegates approved Plank 213(a), which calls “for Republican members to vote as a unified body for their selected Speaker...”; on December 6, 2024, the RPT passed the “Texas House GOP Caucus Resolution” stating in part that “efforts to elect a Speaker with Democrat votes will be considered... violations of the Platform and of the Legislative Priorities”; on December 7, 2024, the House Republican Caucus selected David Cook as its nominee for Speaker of the Texas House; on January 14, 2025, despite the Party's plank, the RPT’s resolution, and the Caucus’ vote, Representative Lambert split from fifty-two Republicans and joined forty-nine Democrats to elect Dustin Burrows as House Speaker; Burrows gained the position with more Democrat votes than Republican votes; furthermore, the RPT's Principle 5 is “Personal accountability and responsibility”; Representative Lambert is accountable to the voters of HD 71, voters who helped give Republicans a twenty-six seat majority in the Texas House; uniting with the minority party to elect the Speaker undermines the mandate given to the Republican majority, especially following the resounding 2024 victory of President Donald J. Trump (Record Votes 2 and 3); and
2. On May 12, 2025, Representative Lambert voted in favor of HB 2858, a bill establishing a temporary guest worker program in Texas; even though the legislation failed passage to engrossment, Representative Lambert’s support of the bill is in opposition to Principle 9, “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference and subsidies”; bringing in guest workers is government interference in the Texas job market, and American workers should always be the priority; furthermore, voting in favor of HB 2858 is inappropriate during a legislative session when the Legislative Priority that received the highest number of weighted

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votes at the 2024 Republican Party of Texas State Convention was “Border Enforcement” (Record Vote 2198); and

3. RPT Legislative Priority #4 states that “the Republican-controlled Texas Legislature shall end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats and require all committees to be majority Republican”; on January 23, 2025, the House considered HR 4, the House Rules, which included a provision designating all committee vice chairs to be solely from the minority party as well as creating minority party subcommittee chairs with sweeping new powers; before any amendments could be proposed, Representative Jared Patterson moved the Previous Question on adoption of HR 4, which ended all debate; forty-six Republicans, including Representative Lambert, seconded the motion, and the motion prevailed; in response to this vote, RPT issued a resolution stating, “the Republican Party of Texas considers a vote in favor of Previous Question on HR 4 to be a violation of the Legislative Priority to Ban Democrat Chairs for the purposes of censure under Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44," as it circumvented the true intent of the priority because a vice chair is still a chair; not only did Representative Lambert’s action violate Legislative Priority #4, but voting in favor of the Previous Question also cut off any opportunity for amendments or debate on the new House Rules; this is a violation of RPT Principle 1, “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and Constitutions of the United States and of Texas” (“All political power is inherent in the people, and all free governments are founded on their authority,” Texas Constitution Article 1, Section 2); this action deprived the people of proper representation by denying their Representatives the opportunity to debate the 384 pages of new House Rules, which were released just hours before the vote (Record Vote 9); and
4. On April 22 and April 23, 2025, Representative Lambert voted in favor of Democrat authored HB 805; this legislation would direct the Public Utility Commission (PUC) to study the impacts of existing interconnections of electric transmission service facilities in the state to such facilities in Mexico and the potential impacts of establishing new such interconnections; the study would have to include the impacts and potential impacts on transmission and distribution networks and retail customers in the state and Mexico; though the Senate never took up the bill, voting in favor of HB 805 is a violation of Legislative Priority #6, “Secure the Electric Grid”; instead of providing a basis for Texas not to connect to Mexico’s grid, the study proposed by this bill could be used as a basis by future legislatures to encourage even more connection to Mexico’s grid as demand for power increases; for the security of Texas, RPT supports an independent power grid (Record Votes 343 and 392); and
5. On April 30 and May 1, 2025, Representative Lambert voted in favor of HB 1359, creating a state program to assist low-income individuals in paying for rising home energy costs; though well intentioned, subsidies can disincentivize energy conservation and even lead to increased energy consumption, placing further strain on the Texas Power grid; support for HB 1359 opposes Legislative Priority #6, “Secure the Electric Grid”; Plank 47 of the 2024 RPT Platform supports a solution to rising energy costs and scarcity of power, namely, greater energy production through the free market (Record Votes 1079 and 1149); and

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6. On May 8, 2025, the House debated Representative Shaheen's Amendment #4 to SB 17, relating to foreign entities purchasing real estate in Texas; the amendment added the wording "and is not lawfully present and residing in the United States at the time the individual purchases, acquires, or holds the interest"; several representatives pointed out that this amendment actually made possible the sale of real property to an individual in the United States legally under a visa, when, in fact, the individual is actually domiciled in a designated country that poses a risk to Texas and the United States; and despite their warnings, Representative Lambert voted to adopt Amendment #4, which stripped SB 17 of the true intent of Legislative Priority #7, "Texas is Not for Sale" (Record Vote 1848); and
7. During the House sessions on April 29 and April 30, 2025, Representative Lambert voted in favor of HB 366, which criminalizes political advertising about "an officeholder, candidate, or political committee," that contains altered media without a disclosure by anyone who spends \$100 or more in a reporting period; support for this legislation violates Principle 1, "...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and Constitutions of the United States and of Texas," both of which declare no law will be enacted restricting the freedom of speech; and HB 366 represents further encroachment upon the free speech rights of Texas voters (Record Votes 834 and 981); and
8. Representative Lambert's vote to pass HR 4 without amendments resulted in Rule 4, Sec. 8A (Pg. 262) as well as Rule 5, Sec. 19A (Pg. 266), requiring face masks that comply with the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control for committee and subcommittee meetings and House or House Gallery attendance; these rules oppose the Republican Party of Texas' 2024 Platform Preamble declaration: "We strive to preserve the freedom given to us by God" and Principle 8, "Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom"; furthermore, mask mandates not only infringe on personal freedom when implemented for public health or safety reasons but also create an environment where individuals can utilize masks for personal concealment with a greater degree of social acceptance; concealment of one's identity is not compatible with being in an important public space like the Texas Capitol (Record Vote 10); and

WHEREAS, the Taylor County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Stan Lambert's office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 71 of the Taylor County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Stan Lambert by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Stan Lambert expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that "*such a resolution may include a request to*

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impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days' notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy"; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Taylor County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose "all applicable penalties set forth in Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas, including but not limited to, refusing to accept any application from him for a place on the ballot of the Republican Primary Election for the period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 71 of the Taylor County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Stan Lambert as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run

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for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Stan Lambert is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 9, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Jeff Leach

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 67 of the Collin County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Collin County Republican Party Executive Committee meeting on August 23, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure Texas House District 67 Representative - Jeff Leach,” which identified, among other grievances, the following thirteen actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On May 1, 2025, Representative Leach voted in favor of HB 1359 (Record Vote 1149), which expands electric bill payment assistance to certain low-income customers, including non-citizens, thereby taking an action in opposition to Legislative Priority #6, “Secure the Electric Grid,” by creating a new subsidy for illegal aliens, and in opposition to RPT Principle 9, “a free-enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies”; and
2. On May 28, 2025, Representative Shaheen filed an amendment to SB 2753 (authored by Senator Bob Hall), a bill addressing Election Integrity, which delayed the implementation of the bill until on or after August 1, 2027 – postponing its effect until after the 2028 elections – and thereby making the amendment contrary to RPT Legislative Priority #2, “Secure Texas Elections”; Representative Leach also voted in favor of Representative Shaheen’s amendment (Record Vote 3938), a vote that constitutes a censurable act by Representative Leach; and
3. On February 21, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach filed HB 3162, a bill to expand electronic ballots for “certain voters” – an effort previously vetoed by Governor Abbott and opposed in this bill by the SREC Legislative Priorities Committee – which is contrary to RPT Legislative Priority #2, “Secure Texas Elections”; filing such a bill constitutes a censurable act by Representative Leach, even though the bill did not pass; and
4. On January 23, 2025, Representative Leach voted for the Previous Question motion by Representative Patterson to end debate on the adoption of HR 4 (Record Vote 9), introducing standing subcommittees that could be chaired and indeed came to be chaired by members of the minority party, and thereby ending debate at that time, a decision that made it impossible to

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amend HR 4 to remove the rule and making this vote an action in opposition to Legislative Priority #4, “No Democrat Committee Chairs”; and

5. On April 23, 2025, Representative Leach voted in favor of HB 805 (Record Vote 392), which directs the Public Utility Commission of Texas to study establishing new interconnections between Texas’ and Mexico’s electric transmission facilities, an action in opposition to Legislative Priority #6, “Secure the Electric Grid,” by threatening the reliability of Texas’ electricity infrastructure; and
6. SB 17, authored by Senator Bob Hall, was intended to protect Texas land from foreign adversaries; and on May 8, 2025, Representatives Shaheen and Button offered amendment #4, which weakened the bill by allowing Chinese nationals and other hostile foreign actors to enter the United States on tourist visas and purchase Texas land, thereby rendering SB 17 ineffective; the vote for this amendment by Representative Leach constitutes an action in opposition to Legislative Priority #7, “Texas is Not for Sale,” as well as RPT Principle 3, “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom” (Record Vote 1848); and
7. On January 23, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach voted to pass HR 4 without amendments (Record Vote 10), which resulted in introducing Rule 16, Special Rule, Sec. 7 Rule 4, Sec. 8A, on Page 262 of the House Rules, as well as Rule 16, Special Rule, Sec. 13 Rule 5, Sec. 19A, on Page 266, which require face masks that comply with the recommendations of the Centers of Disease Control for committee and subcommittee meetings, and for House or House Gallery attendance, which are actions in opposition to Legislative Priority #8 “End Federal Overreach,” which demands that Texans not be faced with any medical mandate; and
8. On May 12, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach voted in favor of HJR 144 (Record Vote 2180), which would authorize the creation of a Regional Mobility Authority (RMA) that, if passed, would have permitted new toll road taxes and establish duplicative bureaucracy – actions in opposition to Legislative Priority #8, “End Federal Overreach” – and therefore constituting a censurable act; and
9. On February 5, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach filed HB 2459, a bill designed to weaken Texas law protecting citizens from abusive lawsuits, thereby limiting free speech protections; although this bill did not pass out of committee, it would have violated RPT Principle 3, “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom”; Principle 4, “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions”; and Principle 9, “A free-enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies” – and is therefore a censurable act; and
10. On April 30, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach voted in favor of HB 366 (Record Vote 982), known as the Dade Phelan “Meme” Bill, which bans AI-generated political memes, in violation of RPT Principle 1, “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas”; Principle 3, “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom”; and Principle 4, “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas

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Constitutions,” by chilling free speech protected by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution – and therefore constituting a censurable act; and

11. On May 5, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach voted in favor of HB 104 (Record Vote 1392), establishing the Texas Future Fund and the Texas Future Fund Investment Review Board, and authorizing permissible uses of money in the Texas Future Fund – actions that would significantly increase state spending and expand government through the creation of another committee – in opposition to RPT Platform Principle 9, “A free-enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies” – and therefore constituting a censurable act; and
12. On May 26, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach voted in favor of SB 22 (Record Vote 3545), appropriating additional taxpayer funds to promote the moving image industry in Texas, thereby violating RPT Principle 9, “A free-enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies, by supporting state funding of private enterprise” – and therefore constituting a censurable act; and
13. On May 28, 2025, Representative Jeff Leach voted in favor of SB 974 (Record Vote 3901), a bill permitting school district employees to serve on appraisal boards – constituting a clear conflict of interest, as school districts benefit from higher appraisal values – and a bill later vetoed by the Governor; this legislation was in opposition to RPT Principle 4, “Limiting government power...,” and Principle 9, “A free-enterprise society unencumbered by government interference...”; voting in favor of such a bill constitutes a censurable act; and

WHEREAS, the Collin County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Jeff Leach’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 67 of the Collin County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Jeff Leach by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Jeff Leach expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the

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request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy"; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Collin County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose "all applicable penalties set forth in Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44, including, but not limited to, Penalty 3: refusal to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of this censure"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 67 of the Collin County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Jeff Leach as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

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Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Jeff Leach is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 4, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Morgan Meyer

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 108 of the Dallas County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Dallas County Republican Party Executive Committee on June 16, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure State Representative Morgan Meyer,” which identified, among other grievances, the following four actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On January 14, 2025, Representative Morgan Meyer opposed RPT Principle 5 of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as “Personal accountability and responsibility” by violating key Plank 213(a) which states in part, “*We also call for Republican members to vote as a unified body for their selected Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore candidate when the Legislature convenes in regular session, provided that the individual selected in caucus for speaker publicly pledges to comply with the entirety of this plank.*” [emphasis added] Representative Meyer violated Plank 213(a) on January 14, 2025, by not voting for the Republican Caucus Nominee for Speaker of the House, and instead voting for Dustin Burrows, who had not pledged to comply with the entirety of the plank (Record Vote 2 and Record Vote 3); and
2. On January 23, 2025, Representative Morgan Meyer violated the voters’ rights as stated in the Republican Party Preamble and Article 1, Section 2, of the Texas Constitution: by imposing the “nuclear option” motion on the Texas House floor, which cut off any opportunity for amendments and any debate on the new rules, he violated the voters’ rights to proper representation through their elected State Representatives. This egregious act disrespected the members of the Texas House of Representatives and millions of voters in Texas. Allowing deliberation is the bedrock of our Republic. Not allowing deliberation is tyranny (Record Vote 9); and
3. On January 23, 2025, Representative Morgan Meyer violated Legislative Priority #4 – No Democrat Chairs: “The Republican-controlled Texas Legislature shall end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats and require all committees to be majority Republican.” Representative Button circumvented the true intent of the Republican Party’s “No

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Democrat Chairs” Legislative Priority by voting in favor of mandating the appointment of non-Republican committee vice-chairs, with sweeping new powers as co-chairs, as per HR 4, Rule 4, Sec. 4A: “ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS. If, at the time the speaker announces the membership of standing committees, the members of the house of one political party constitute a majority of the membership of the house, the speaker shall designate a member of that party to serve as chair of each standing committee. *The speaker shall not designate a member of that party to serve as vice-chair of a standing committee.*” [emphasis added] (Record Vote 10); and

4. Representative Morgan Meyer committed 36 separate additional censurable acts, for each of the 30 committee vice-chair positions awarded to a Democrat and each of the six subcommittee Chair positions awarded to a Democrat for the current legislative session in opposition to “Legislative Priority #4 – No Democrat Chairs” adopted at the most recent Republican Party of Texas State Convention, as described in Rule No. 34(c) (Record Vote 10); and

WHEREAS, the Dallas County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Morgan Meyer’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 108 of the Dallas County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Morgan Meyer by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Morgan Meyer expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder’s campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution’s passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party’s general fund on voter

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education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy"; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Dallas County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose "all applicable penalties set forth in Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas Rules, including but not limited to refusing to accept any application from him for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 108 of the Dallas County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Morgan Meyer as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Morgan Meyer is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
August 19, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Angelia Orr

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Bosque County, within Texas House District 13, passed a resolution to censure State Representative Angelia Orr under the provisions of Rule No. 44 and requested the concurrence of the SREC; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 13 of the Leon County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Leon County Republican Party Executive Committee on August 21, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure Angelia Orr HD 13 Representative to the Texas House,” which identified, among other grievances, the following six actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On January 14, 2025, Representative Orr did not vote for the elected Republican Caucus nominee David Cook for Speaker of the House as specified by then caucus rules; but instead voted for Representative Dustin Burrows (Record Vote 2, Record Vote 3), knowing Dustin Burrows had already negotiated the vote of the Democrats and committed to appointing Democrats as committee chairs, in violation of Republican Party Legislative Priority No. 4 “No Democrat Chairs”; and
2. On January 23, 2025:
 - (a) First Representative Orr seconded the motion of “Previous Question” and then voted for “Previous Question,” the so-called “nuclear option,” wherein debate was cut off and excluded Republican perfecting amendments to the proposed House Rules (HR 4), which run 384 pages (Record Vote 9). The proposal was provided to the House Representatives at 4:30 a.m., only hours before most Representatives would arrive at the Capitol and begin finding the email, and
 - (b) Voted in favor of the same HR 4 (Record Vote 10), House Rules of Procedure that created subcommittees that were in previous sessions parts of other standing committees and that also enabled Speaker Dustin Burrows to appoint Democrats as vice chairs to all committees in violation of Republican Party of

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Texas Principle 1 “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas” in that it denied representation to the constituents of HD 13 through a healthy debate and amendment process as called for by both the United States and Texas Constitutions, and in violation of RPT Legislative Priority No. 4 “No Democrat Chairs”; and

3. Representative Orr cast her vote in favor of SB 22 (Record Vote 3545) to implement and fund a movie industry incentive fund which provides \$250 million annually and \$2.5 Billion over 10 years in subsidies to the movie industry – managed by the Governor's Office, with zero legislative appropriation needed to spend it. The legislation also allocates money for these subsidies instead of eliminating property tax, as previously promised to the people of Texas. This action violates RPT Principle 9 “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies”; and
4. Representative Orr voted in favor of floor amendment #1 to SB 12, which would have preserved DEI-related language in public education policy, in violation of RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions” (Record Vote 3489); and
5. Representative Orr voted in favor of HB 366, a bill banning AI-generated political memes, in violation of RPT Principle 1 “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas,” RPT Principle 3 “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom,” and RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions” by inhibiting free speech, protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution (Record Vote 982); and
6. Representative Orr voted in favor of SB 1, a bill that expanded state spending by over 40%, in violation of RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions,” RPT Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility,” and RPT Principle 9 “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies,” by supporting bloated government growth and disregarding conservative stewardship of taxpayer funds (Record Vote 174); and

WHEREAS, the Leon County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Angela Orr’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 13 of the Leon County Republican Party Executive Committee passed a resolution of censure of Representative Angela Orr by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

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WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Angelia Orr expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and she would be eligible to run for reelection to her House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder’s campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution’s passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party’s general fund on voter education in the Officeholder’s district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy”; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Leon County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC “impose all applicable penalties set forth in RPT Rule No. 44”; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 13 of the Leon County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Angelia Orr as follows:

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Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Angelia Orr is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 13, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Jared Patterson

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 106 of the Denton County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Denton County Republican Party Executive Committee meeting on September 4, 2025, passed a “Resolution of Censure State Representative Jared Patterson (HD 106),” which identified, among other grievances, the following nine actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On January 14, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson did not vote for the Republican Caucus nominee David Cook for Speaker of the House, but instead voted for Representative Dustin Burrows, a willful disregard for RPT Principal 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility” and a clear violation of the 2024 RPT Platform wherein Republican members were to vote as a “unified body” for the Caucus selected Speaker (Record Votes 2 and 3); and
2. On January 23, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson voted to pass HR 4 without amendments (Record Vote 10), which resulted in introducing Rule 16, Special Rule, Sec. 7 Rule 4, Sec. 8A, on Page 262 of the House Rules, as well as Rule 16, Special Rule, Sec. 13 Rule 5, Sec. 19A, on Page 266, which require face masks that comply with the recommendations of the Centers of Disease Control for committee and subcommittee meetings, and for House or House Gallery attendance, which are actions in opposition to Legislative Priority #8 “End Federal Overreach,” which demands that Texans not be faced with any medical mandate; and
3. On January 23, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson moved the Previous Question on adoption of HR 4 (Record Vote 9), introducing standing subcommittees that could be chaired and indeed came to be chaired by the minority party, and thereby ending the debate at that time, a decision that made impossible to amend HR 4 to remove the rule and making this vote an action in opposition to Legislative Priority #4, “No Democrat Committee Chairs”; and
4. On April 30, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson voted in favor of HB 366 (Record Vote 982), “relating to required disclosures on certain political advertising that contains altered media; creating a criminal offense,” a vote in violation of RPT Principle 1, “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and

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Constitutions of the United States and of Texas”; RPT Principle 3, “Preserving individual, Texan and American Sovereignty and freedom”; and RPT Principle 4, “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions” by chilling free speech protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution; and

5. On May 5, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson voted in favor of HB 104 (Record Vote 1392), relating to the creation of the Texas Future Fund and the Texas Future Fund Investment Review Board and to the permissible uses of money in the Texas Future Fund. This creation would significantly increase state spending and also grow government with another committee, an action in opposition to RPT Principle 4, “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions,” and RPT Principle 9, “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies”; and
6. On May 8, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson voted in favor of amendment #4 (Record Vote 1848) on SB 17, which weakened the bill by allowing Chinese nationals and other hostile foreign actors to enter the United States on tourist visas and buy Texas land, rendering SB 17 ineffective and thereby making a vote for this amendment an action in opposition to Legislative Priority #7, “Texas Is Not For Sale”, and to RPT Principle 3, “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedoms”; and
7. On May 26, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson voted in favor of SB 22, “relating to the Texas moving image industry incentive program and the establishment and funding of the Texas moving image industry incentive fund” (Record Vote 3545), RPT Platform Principle 5, “Personal Accountability and Responsibility,” and RPT Platform Principle 9, “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies”; the vote is in conflict with the 2024 RPT Platform opposing industry-specific subsidies and favoring free markets; corporate welfare contradicts limited government; and
8. On April 10, 2025 (Record Vote 154), April 15, 2025 (Record Vote 174), and May 31, 2025 (Record Vote 4101), Representative Jared Patterson voted in favor of SB 1, the Texas State Budget, which increased the budget by 43%, significantly increasing state spending and expanding government operations, votes in opposition to RPT Principle 4, “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions,” and RPT Principle 9, “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies”; and
9. On May 28, 2025, Representative Jared Patterson voted in favor of amendment #1, (Record Vote 3938) to delay election integrity on SB 2753, weakening the bill and moving implementation to 2027 in opposition to Legislative Priority #2, “Secure Texas Elections”; and

WHEREAS, the Denton County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Jared Patterson’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 106 of the Denton County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Jared Patterson by both

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a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Jared Patterson expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder’s campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution’s passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party’s general fund on voter education in the Officeholder’s district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy”; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Denton County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose “all applicable penalties set forth in Republican Party of Texas Rule No. 44, including but not limited to Penalty 3, refusal to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure”; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of

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censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 106 of the Denton County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Jared Patterson as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Jared Patterson is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 9, 2025

Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Dade Phelan

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 21 of the Orange County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Orange County Republican Party Executive Committee meeting on August 22, 2025, passed a “Resolution to Censure Texas House District 21 Representative Dade Phelan,” which identified, among other grievances, the following nine actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. Representative Phelan opposed core RPT Principle 5 “Personal accountability and responsibility,” by not voting for the Republican Caucus Nominee for Speaker of the House, and instead voted for Representative Dustin Burrows (Record Vote 2); and
2. Representative Phelan violated RPT Principle 5 by seconding and voting for the “Previous Question” motion on HR 4, the 2025 House Rules, thereby shutting down all debate and eliminating any possibility of amending HR 4 to remove the provision that allowed the minority party to chair standing subcommittees. These actions are a clear violation of RPT Legislative Priority # 4 – “No Democrat Chairs,” which specifies not to appoint any Democrat Committee Chairs (Record Vote 9); and
3. Representative Phelan voted in favor of HB 2442, which would loosen mail-in voting restrictions in violation of Legislative Priority #2 – “Secure Texas Elections” (Record Vote 2615); and
4. Representative Phelan voted for HB 34, allowing state investments in foreign entities, including adversaries, in violation of Legislative Priority #7 – “Texas is Not for Sale” (Record Vote 3432); and
5. Representative Phelan voted for HB 805, a bill opening the door to policy creep that could threaten Texas energy sovereignty and grid independence in violation of Legislative Priority #6 – “Secure the Electric Grid” (Record Vote 392); and

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6. Representative Phelan authored and voted in favor of HB 366, a vague and overly broad bill that would regulate certain types political content, chilling free speech in violation of RPT Principle 1 “...we support the strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas,” RPT Principle 3 “Preserving individual, Texan, and American sovereignty and freedom,” and RPT Principle 4 “Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions” (Record Vote 982); and
7. Representative Phelan co-authored and voted for HB 1738, a bill that would decriminalize same-sex sodomy in violation of RPT Principle 6 “...traditional marriage between a natural man and a natural woman” (Record Vote 2714); and
8. Representative Phelan violated Legislative Priority #1 – “Election Integrity” by voting in committee to oppose SB 2743, an act which would have authorized the Attorney General to ensure election crimes in Texas do not go unprosecuted (State Affairs Committee; May 23, 2025, 11 a.m. formal meeting); and
9. Representative Phelan voted for SB 22, which allocates up to \$2.5 billion to Texas film and television production incentives, violating RPT Principle 5 “Personal Accountability and Responsibility” by supporting a massive subsidy funded by taxpayers rather than opposing government overreach in economic affairs and RPT Principle 9 “A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies” by supporting substantial state spending on special-interest programs rather than prioritizing conservative stewardship of public finances (Record Vote 3541); and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Dade Phelan’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 21 of the Orange County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Dade Phelan by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Dade Phelan expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that “*such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*”

Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days’ notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the

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request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy"; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Orange County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose "all applicable penalties outlined in Rule No. 44 of the RPT Rules"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 21 of the Orange County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Dade Phelan as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

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Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Dade Phelan is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
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Resolution of Concurrence with the Censure of State Representative Gary VanDeaver

WHEREAS, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states that “a County or District Executive Committee may, after no less than seven (7) days’ notice and invitation to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before a County or District Executive Committee, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those constituent Executive Committee Precinct Chairs present and voting, but in no case by less than a majority of constituent Precinct Chairs of the County Executive Committee (CEC) in full, adopt a resolution censuring a Republican public Officeholder representing all or a portion of that County or District for three (3) or more actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule No. 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c)”; and

WHEREAS, within Texas House District 1, both the Red River County and Morris County Republican Parties passed resolutions to censure State Representative Gary VanDeaver under the provisions of Rule No. 44 and requested the concurrence of the SREC; and

WHEREAS, The constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 1 of the Lamar County Republican Party, at the meeting of the Lamar County Republican Party Executive Committee on September 6, 2025, Executive Committee meeting, passed a “Resolution to Censure State Representative House District 1 – Gary VanDeaver,” which identified, among other grievances, the following six actions taken during the Officeholder’s current term (which began on January 14, 2025) in violation of the Principles or Legislative Priorities of the Republican Party of Texas:

1. On January 14, 2025, Representative VanDeaver did not vote for the elected Republican Caucus nominee David Cook for Speaker of the Texas House, but instead voted for Representative Dustin Burrows, who was not the Republican Caucus nominee for House Speaker, a disregard for RPT Principle 5 “Personal accountability and responsibility” and a violation of 2024 RPT Platform Plank 213 which calls for Republican House Members to vote as a “unified body” for the Caucus selected Speaker; and
2. On January 23, 2025, Representative VanDeaver voted in favor of the Previous Question motion, enabling the so-called “nuclear option,” wherein debate was cut off to exclude Republican perfecting amendments to the Rules of the 89th House Legislative Session, and approving Democrat only Committee vice chairs, in opposition to RPT Legislative Priority #4 “No Democrat Chairs,” adopted at the 2024 Republican Party of Texas State Convention (Record Vote 9); on January 23, 2025, Representative VanDeaver also voted in favor of HR 4, Rules that required compulsory appointment of solely minority party Committee vice chairs awarding them sweeping new powers and authority (per HR 4, Rule 4, Sec 4A), a disregard for the intent of RPT Legislative Priority #4 “No Democrat Chairs” and Platform Plank 213(b); and
3. On March 10, 2025, the last action on HB 1304 was a referral to the House Public Health Committee, through which Committee Chairman VanDeaver ended the bill’s progress; his inaction on HB 1304 in the Committee was in opposition to RPT Legislative Priority #8 “End

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Federal Overreach” regarding medical freedom; the bill would have required labeling of certain products containing or derived from aborted human fetal tissue; and

4. On April 23, 2025, Representative VanDeaver voted in favor of HB 805 (relating to a study by the Public Utility Commission of Texas on the interconnection of electric transmission service facilities with the United Mexican States); the Democrat-sponsored bill was unanimously opposed by the SREC Legislative Priorities Committee and therefore, his vote in favor was an action in opposition to the RPT Legislative Priority to “Secure the Electric Grid” (Record Vote 392); and
5. On April 30, 2025, Representative VanDeaver voted in favor of HB 366, a bill that “creates a criminal offense on certain political advertising that contains altered media”; a vote for this bill violates RPT Principle 1 “...strict adherence to the original language and intent of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitutions of the United States and of Texas,” which declare that no law should be enacted to restrict the freedom of speech; the bill stands in opposition to 2024 RPT Platform Planks 1, 11, and 181, which further assert our First Amendment rights including free speech; HB 366 represents encroachment upon the free speech rights of Texas citizens (Record Vote 982); and
6. On May 1, 2025, Representative VanDeaver voted in favor of HB 1359 (relating to the creation of a program to provide income-based assistance for certain retail electric customers); the Democrat-sponsored bill was unanimously opposed by the SREC Legislative Priorities Committee and therefore, his vote in favor was in opposition to the RPT Legislative Priority to "Secure the Electric Grid"; additionally, the House Research Organization Bill Analysis states that the bill would have a negative impact of \$8.5 million to general revenue related funds through the biennium (Record Vote 1149); and

WHEREAS, the Lamar County Republican Party provided notice to Representative Gary VanDeaver’s office and an opportunity to speak prior to the vote taking place; and

WHEREAS, the constituent Precinct Chairs of House District 1 of the Lamar County Republican Party Executive Committee passed the resolution of censure of Representative Gary VanDeaver by both a two-thirds (2/3) majority of those present and voting and a 50% majority of all constituent Precinct Chairs, even those not in attendance; and

WHEREAS, the term of office for Representative Gary VanDeaver expires after the 2026 Primary and General Elections, and he would be eligible to run for reelection to his House seat in the 2026 election and also eligible to run for any other partisan office in the 2026 election; and

WHEREAS, in discussing resolutions of censure passed by a County Executive Committee, Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas states in part that *“such a resolution may include a request to impose the penalties below to the SREC. The SREC must confirm or deny penalties prior to early voting of the Republican Primary Election in which the Officeholder is seeking election.*

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Penalties:

If such a request is included, after not less than fourteen (14) days' notice and opportunity to the Officeholder to appear and be provided time to speak before the SREC in response to the request. The SREC, by a three-fifths (3/5) vote of the full membership, may vote to concur with the resolution of censure and impose one or more of the following penalties:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

Penalty 2: Declare that the named Officeholder is discouraged from participating in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure passage.

Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy"; and

WHEREAS, in its resolution of censure, the Lamar County Republican Party requested that the SREC concur with the resolution of censure and that the SREC impose "all applicable penalties set forth in Rule No. 44 of the Republican Party of Texas, including but not limited to, refusing to accept any application from him for a place on the ballot of the Republican Primary Election for the period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Republican Executive Committee concurs with the violations of Republican Party of Texas Principles and Legislative Priorities stated in the resolution of censure passed by the constituent Precinct Chairs of Texas House District 1 of the Lamar County Republican Party and identified in this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Republican Party of Texas imposes all three penalties identified in Rule No. 44 on Representative Gary VanDeaver as follows:

Penalty 1: Declare that no Rule or Bylaw enacted by any division of the Party at any level that demands the Party be neutral in intraparty contests shall be observed with respect to the named Officeholder, and no financial or other support shall be provided to the Officeholder's campaign by the Party except that which is required by law. If the Officeholder files an application to run for any public office in the Republican Party Primary Election following the censure resolution's passage, the SREC shall be authorized to spend up to twelve percent (12%) of the

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Party's general fund on voter education in the Officeholder's district, by republishing the original censure resolution verbatim, using a media format determined by the SREC.

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Penalty 3: Authorize and direct the State Chairman or any County Chairman to refuse to accept any application for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nothing in this Resolution shall be construed to prohibit the use of Party resources to encourage voting for Republican Party nominees or officeholders collectively, so long as Representative Gary VanDeaver is not identified by name.

Respectfully submitted,
Resolutions Committee
September 13, 2025