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AUSTIN – As conservative Members of the Texas House, we support the re-election of Speaker Joe Straus. Speaker Straus will be decisively re-elected because he encourages members to vote in their districts' best interests and because he is a fair, principled leader. Most importantly, under his leadership, the House has produced conservative results that are good for this state.

Under Speaker Straus' leadership, the Texas House has accomplished many achievements, including passage of HB 4 (water plan funding bill), HB 5 (public education reform bill), HB 2 (comprehensive pro life bill), three consecutive balanced budgets without a tax increase, and legislation which lowered taxes and fees on thousands of small businesses across Texas. House Bill 7, also championed by Speaker Straus, reversed a 20-year budget diversion practice bringing greater truth in budgeting and transparency reforms to the state's budget. Further, Speaker Straus understands that the needs of rural and West Texans are unique. We appreciate the Speaker's desire to see that all parts of Texas thrive economically and remain strong. For these reasons and more, we support Speaker Straus and look forward to working with our colleagues to build on our recent legislative successes.

We and other conservatives are united behind our Speaker and are ready to get to work in the upcoming legislative session for our constituents.

God Bless Texas!

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