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Press Release

State Rep. Helen Giddings Named Chair of Texas Legislative Black Caucus *The TLBC addresses issues African Americans face across the state of Texas*

Austin- State Representative Helen Giddings (Dallas) has been elected Chair of the Texas Legislative Black Caucus (TLBC). She released the following statement:

"I am honored to have the confidence of my fellow African American legislators to lead the Texas Legislative Black Caucus during this critical time for our state. The talents and skills of every member of the TLBC will be utilized to develop an agenda that builds on past successes and confronts the challenges of today.

We face difficult issues and a tough political climate. Working together with our constituents will make Texas a better place for African Americans and every Texas resident. We all want safe neighborhoods, decent housing, access to healthcare, jobs with livable wages, and the ability to obtain a quality education. The members of the TLBC are committed to working toward that vision."

The new officer board consists of proven legislative leaders who will represent the TLBC during the 85th Legislative session:

Chair: Rep. Helen Giddings

1st Vice Chair:Rep. Nicole CollierTreasurer:Rep. Alma Allen2nd Vice Chair:Rep. Eric JohnsonParliamentarian:Rep. Joe DeshotelSecretary:Rep. Toni RoseGeneral Counsel:Rep. Harold Dutton

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