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STATEMENT BY TEXAS HOUSE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS ON THE SECRETLY RECORDED MEETING BETWEEN SPEAKER DENNIS BONNEN, REPRESENTATIVE DUSTIN BURROWS, AND MICHAEL QUINN SULLIVAN

(Austin, Texas) – Today, the following statement was released by the Texas House Republican Caucus related to the June 12th meeting between Speaker Dennis Bonnen, Representative Dustin Burrows, and Michael Quinn Sullivan:

“We, the members of the Texas House Republican Caucus, condemn in the strongest possible terms the offensive language used and the statements made by Speaker Bonnen and Representative Burrows during the secretly recorded meeting which occurred on June 12th. Both members violated the high standards of conduct we expect of our members. Their conduct does not reflect the views of our Caucus membership. We completely and fully support the members mentioned in the recording. Further, the views expressed in the taped recording in no way reflect the high regard we have for our locally elected officials. Constitutionally, the Speaker can only be elected or removed when the House is in session. A process in our Caucus bylaws presently exists to nominate a Caucus-endorsed Speaker candidate, and we intend to abide by those provisions accordingly.”