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## **Paxton Wins Support from Largest County Deputies' Organization in Texas**

### ***Harris County Deputies' Organization Endorses AG Frontrunner***

(McKinney, Texas) – Senator Ken Paxton today earned another major law enforcement endorsement, gaining steam with an official nod from the Harris County Deputies' Organization. With nearly 1,700 members of Deputy Sheriffs and Deputy Constables, the Harris County Deputies' Organization is the largest county Deputies' organization in Texas.

Robert Goerlitz, President of the Harris County Deputies' Organization, said, "The Harris County Deputies' Organization is proud to endorse Senator Ken Paxton for Texas Attorney General. Ken Paxton is a candidate we can trust. In talking with Ken Paxton, his serious commitment to our state, to the U.S. and Texas Constitutions and to law enforcement is clear. We are confident Ken Paxton will make a strong Attorney General and we look forward to working with him when he is elected."

Paxton has now earned the support of the two largest law enforcement organizations in Harris County, where the McKinney Republican placed first in the March primary. Senator Paxton continues to amass major endorsements in the largest county in Texas in terms of votes cast in a GOP primary. In the March 4<sup>th</sup> election, Harris County provided over 10% of the votes cast in the entire state.

Today's announcement builds on Senator Paxton's already strong support among the law enforcement community. Last month he was endorsed by the Houston Police Officers' Union Political Action Committee (HPOU), Texas' largest law enforcement organization. Paxton has also been previously endorsed by the Collin County Deputies Association, McKinney Police Association, and Allen Police Association.

On March 4<sup>th</sup>, Senator Paxton shocked political observers with his first-place showing. During early voting, the Dan Branch campaign released a poll showing Representative Branch with an almost 2-1 lead over Senator Paxton. Despite being outspent more than 2-1, Senator Paxton led the field with 44%, coming within just 6 points of winning outright. Additionally, Paxton won Dan Branch's home county of Dallas and his other "home" county of Bexar, where Rep. Branch grew up and still has family. Senator Paxton won 19 of the top 20 counties in Texas, and won 51 of the top 75 counties representing approximately 85% of the GOP vote.

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