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## **SBOE CHAIR BARBARA CARGILL ENDORSES KEN PAXTON** *Cites Senator Paxton's role in fighting CSCOPE, Protecting Parental Rights*

(McKinney) – Senator Ken Paxton, Republican candidate for Attorney General, today announced the endorsement of Barbara Cargill, Chair of the Texas State Board of Education.

Cargill said, “Today, I am proud to announce my endorsement of Senator Ken Paxton for Texas Attorney General. As a legislator, Ken is a strong advocate for children and parents. He is unwavering in his commitment to our founding principles, and he has a long record of fighting in the trenches with us against the liberal agenda.

Senator Paxton worked with me in my efforts to expose CSCOPE, and his efforts were important in the battle to ensure that parents – not government bureaucrats – have the final say in the education of their children. Senator Paxton’s leadership in exposing CSCOPE helped enable the State Board of Education to place CSCOPE under our purview. Ken Paxton is a principled conservative who will make an outstanding Attorney General.”

Senator Paxton said, “Barbara Cargill is a person of strong convictions with a deep commitment to making our state’s education system the best in the nation. She has been a great source of wisdom and information, and I’m proud to have her support. I look forward to working with her as we oppose the Common Core agenda which threatens our education sovereignty.”

Senator Paxton’s campaign for Attorney General continues to build momentum, winning all five straw polls conducted in the campaign so far. Today’s endorsement follows a string of key conservative endorsements for Senator Paxton, including Kelly Shackelford, Chairman of the Ted Cruz for Senate Statewide Leadership Team and Liberty Institute\* President; Cathie Adams, President, Texas Eagle Forum\* and Former Chairman, Republican Party of Texas; Ernest Angelo, Jr., Former Republican National Committeeman; Tim Lambert, President, Texas Home School Coalition\* and Former Republican National Committeeman for Texas; Kaye T. Goolsby, Statewide Grassroots Chairman for Ted Cruz for U.S. Senate\*; Ann Hettinger, Former State Director of Concerned Women for America of Texas\*; Rick Green, Former Texas State Representative and Host of WallBuilders\* Live; Carol Everett, Texas Pro-Life Leader; Founder and CEO of The Heidi Group\*; Michelle Smith, State Director of Concerned Women for America of Texas\*; and Peggy Venable. Senator Paxton has also been endorsed by U.S. Senator Rick Santorum, Young Conservatives of Texas, Texans for Fiscal Responsibility, Texas Right to Life PAC, Texas Home School Coalition Association, Senator Brian Birdwell, 24 Texas state representatives, and over 100 Tea Party leaders and activists across Texas.

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