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Paxton Endorsed by Statewide Police Organization

Texas Fraternal Order of Police and Houston Affiliate Endorse Leading Candidate for Attorney General

(McKinney, Texas) – Adding to a growing list of law enforcement supporters, Texas State Senator Ken Paxton has earned the statewide endorsement of the Texas Fraternal Order of Police (FOP). With more than 325,000 members worldwide, the FOP is the world's largest organization of sworn law enforcement officers. In Texas, FOP represents over 4,000 officers in 42 lodges across the Lone Star State.

"After much consideration and assessment, the Texas Fraternal Order of Police endorses Ken Paxton for Texas Attorney General," said Robert Lozano, President, Texas Fraternal Order of Police. "We trust Ken Paxton's record on law enforcement, border security and commitment to constitutional principles. Ken Paxton understands the concerns of our members and the citizens we serve. We know Ken Paxton will make a strong Attorney General and one who will be a friend to law enforcement."

Additionally, the Houston chapter of the state FOP is endorsing Senator Paxton, earning him a clean sweep of the three largest law enforcement organizations in Harris County. Since last month's primary, Paxton has been endorsed by the Houston Police Officers' Union Political Action Committee (HPOU), Texas' largest law enforcement organization, as well as the Harris County Deputies' Organization. With nearly 1,700 members, the group is the largest county deputies' organization in Texas. Paxton has also been previously endorsed by the Collin County Deputies Association, McKinney Police Association, and Allen Police Association.

Paxton's campaign continues to build momentum for the May 27th runoff. Last week, new polling revealed that Ken Paxton has a solid 12 point lead in the race for Attorney General, a lead which grows to 14 points among high interest voters, and a 20 point lead among the highest interest voters (48% to 28%). As nationally respected pollster Glen Bolger concludes, "Ken Paxton remains in the driver's seat heading into the May 27 runoff election. Across all of the subgroups that are key to forming a winning primary runoff coalition, Paxton earns solid support."

On March 4th, 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 and enduring a barrage of negative ads from Branch, 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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