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## **Texas Patriots PAC Endorses Ken Paxton for Attorney General** *Organization Worked to Propel Ted Cruz to U.S. Senate*

(McKinney, Texas) - Texas Patriots PAC, a non-partisan Tea Party organization dedicated to limited government, free markets, fiscal responsibility, and upholding the Constitution, has announced their endorsement of Senator Ken Paxton for Texas Attorney General.

Based in Montgomery County, Texas Patriots PAC is one of the most active Tea Party organizations in the state and worked aggressively to elect Ted Cruz to the U.S. Senate. In the 2012 runoff, Montgomery County backed Sen. Cruz with 67% of the vote, the highest percentage earned by his campaign among the top 10 GOP counties.

The Paxton endorsement was announced last night at a packed meeting of more than 100 activists in The Woodlands. Julie Turner, President of Texas Patriots PAC, said “Ken Paxton has a stellar 11 year voting record in the legislature. Ken ran for Speaker of the House knowing that the battle would be hard. The magnitude of the struggle with Washington is even greater, but this is exactly the kind of ‘David versus Goliath’ strength that we need to join the fight for liberty. We proudly endorse Ken Paxton for Attorney General.”

Senator Paxton commented, “I am excited that the Texas Patriots PAC has examined my proven conservative record and found it worthy of their support. Julie Turner and her members have been a key force in educating and organizing conservative activists, and this endorsement demonstrates that our message is resonating with conservative voters and shows our continued momentum in the Greater Houston area. At a time when the Obama Administration has a bulls-eye on Texas, it’s important we stand together to defend our state.”

This new endorsement builds on Senator Paxton’s growing support among conservatives as the March 4<sup>th</sup> Primary approaches. The McKinney Republican has been endorsed by Young Conservatives of Texas, Texans for Fiscal Responsibility, Texas Right to Life PAC, Texas Home School Coalition Association, Concerned Women for America Legislative Action Committee, Senator Brian Birdwell and 24 Texas House members, and over 100 Tea Party leaders and activists across Texas. Senator Paxton is the only candidate approved by the North Texas Tea Party and won the first six straw polls conducted in the campaign.

Paxton has previously been endorsed by prominent Texas and national conservatives including Penny Nance, President and CEO, Concerned Women for America\*; Senator Rick Santorum; Cathie Adams, President, Texas Eagle Forum\* and Former Chairman, Republican Party of Texas; Tim Lambert, President, Texas Home School Coalition\* and Former Republican National Committeeman for Texas; David Barton, Founder of WallBuilders and former Republican Party of Texas Vice Chair; 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\*; Jonathan Saenz, President, Texas Values\*; and Hon. Paul Pressler, Former State Representative, Former District Court Judge, and Former Justice, 14th Court of Appeals.

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