TARRANT COUNTY GOP

RESOLUTION TO CENSURE TEXAS HOUSE DISTRICT 97 REPRESENTATIVE JOHN MCQUEENEY

WHEREAS on January 14th, Representative John McQueeney opposed core principle No. 5 of the Republican Party of Texas (personal accountability and responsibility) by violating key Plank 213a of the 2024 Republican Party of Texas Platform since he did not vote for the Republican Caucus Nominee for Speaker of the House, and instead voted for Representative Dustin Burrows.

WHEREAS on January 23rd, Representative Jared Patterson made a motion for the "previous question" which eliminated any discussion or debate on the new House rules proposed under HR4. House District 97 Representative John McQueeney seconded this motion and voted in favor of shutting down all debate on the rules, denying millions of Texans and their representatives a voice in the legislature.

WHEREAS HR 4 introduced standing sub-committees, that could and have been chaired by the minority party, and by ending the debate on January 23rd, it was not possible to amend HR4 to remove the rule. This action is in clear opposition to the Texas Republican Party Legislative Priority #4 which specifies not to appoint any Democrat Committee Chairs.

WHEREAS despite his votes resulting in Democrats being allowed to chair committees, Texas House District 97 Representative John McQueeney lied to his constituents by sending communications through text messages and social media claiming that he "Voted to Ban Democrat Chairs." This was in opposition to Republican Party of Texas Principle #5 of personal accountability and responsibility.

WHEREAS Texas House District 97 Representative John McQueeney voted to pass HR4 without amendments, which resulted in introducing Rule 4, Sec. 8A and as well as Rule 5, Sec.19A. which require face masks, that comply with the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control, for committee and subcommittee meetings, and House or House Gallery attendance. These rules oppose Texas Republican Legislative Priority #8 – End Federal Overreach, which demands for Texans not to be faced with any medical mandate.

WHEREAS Representative John McQueeney voted against Amendment 51 to SB1, which would have required an audit of the $11 billion dollars spent on Operation Lone Star. This action stands in direct opposition to the Republican Party of Texas Platform Principle #5: Personal accountability and responsibility, as it denies transparency and oversight of a massive taxpayer-funded initiative.

WHEREAS Representative John McQueeney voted in favor of SB1, the Texas state budget, which significantly increases state spending and expands government operations. This contradicts the Republican Party of Texas Platform Principle #4: Limiting government power to those items enumerated

in the United States and Texas Constitutions, and Platform Principle #9: A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies.

WHEREAS Representative John McQueeney voted against Amendment 21 to Senate Bill 2 during the 89th Texas Legislature, an amendment that would have required schools participating in the Education Savings Account program to disclose whether any member of their governing body has committed a sexual crime against a child or student, and would have disqualified such schools from receiving public funds through the program; and

WHEREAS Representative McQueeney's vote directly contradicts the intent of this Legislative Priority by opposing a reasonable and narrowly tailored safeguard that seeks to prevent taxpayer funds from supporting institutions associated with individuals who have committed sexual offenses against children.

WHEREAS Representative McQueeney's voted in favor of the following resolutions and motions granting the legislature permission to adjourn for more than three days, failing to comply with the Republican Party of Texas Principle #5 personal accountability and responsibility:

- January 15, 2025 SCR 7 adjourn January 15, 2025 and ending January 22, 2025 (7 days)
- January 23, 2025 Representative Hunter moved the house adjourn until Monday, January 27, 2025. The motion prevailed. (4 days)
- February 4, 2025 SCR 11 adjourn February 5, 2025 to February 11, 2025 (5 days)
- February 12, 2025 SCR 14 adjourn from February 13, 2025 to February 18, 2025 (5 days)
- February 19, 2025 SCR 16 adjourn from February 20, 2025 to February 25, 2025 (5 days)
- February 27, 2025 the chair announced that the house would stand at ease until Friday, February 28, 2025. On February 28, 2025 the chair announced the house would stand at ease until Monday, March 3, 2025. (5 days)
- March 6, 2025 the chair announced that the house would stand at ease until Friday, March 7. March 7, 2025 the chair announced that the house would stand at ease until Monday, March 10. (4 days)
- April 3, 2025 Representative Wu moved the house adjourn until Monday April 7, 2025. The motion prevailed. (4 days)

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Tarrant County GOP hereby censures Texas House District 97 John McQueeney for the above-mentioned actions which oppose the following Republican Party of Texas Legislative Priorities and principles:

1. **Legislative Priority #4:** The Republican-controlled Texas Legislature shall end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats.
2. **Legislative Priority #8:** Ensuring that Texans have medical freedom (…) and are not faced with any vaccine or medical mandate by public or private entities.
3. **Platform Principle #4:** Limiting government power to those items enumerated in the United States and Texas Constitutions.
4. **Platform Principle #5:** Personal accountability and responsibility.

5. **Platform Principle #9:** A free enterprise society unencumbered by government interference or subsidies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Tarrant County GOP formally requests the State Republican Executive Committee of the RPT to censure State Representative McQueeney by imposing all applicable penalties set forth in Republican Party of Texas Rule 44, including but not limited to refusing to accept any application from him for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of 24 months.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tarrant County Republican Party Chair shall submit this resolution, using formal letterhead with the Chairman's signature, to The Republican Party of Texas Chairman, Vice Chair and Resolutions Committee Chair, for the applicable Rule 44 Penalty to be applied on the next available Republican Party of Texas State Executive Committee meeting, in addition to posting this on Tarrant GOP website, Facebook and X social media pages.

Signed,

TCGOP Chairman Bo French

