

TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BRIAN HARRISON

DISTRICT 10

September 19, 2023 [DELIVERED VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL]

Governor Abbott:

Thank you for the bold leadership you have demonstrated in support of empowering every family in Texas with education freedom. You are exactly right to demand another special session to pass it.

However, Texas should be leading not just in education freedom, but in all areas of freedom. We must do more to protect individual liberty, limited government, secure borders, and fight against the unprecedented and unconstitutional tyranny coming from an out of control federal government.

Now is not the time for comfortable timidity. With the next generation literally on the line, Texas must lead, and lead now. Therefore, I am respectfully asking that you consider allowing the legislature to address these additional issues, so that Texans do not have to wait another two years for action:

- 1) Secure the border by passing legislation similar to HB 20
- 2) Protect medical freedom by banning all COVID-19 vaccine mandates and ending deference to CDC
- 3) Rein in executive "emergency powers" so a future Governor cannot abuse them
- 4) Prohibit hostile and Communist governments from purchasing Texas land
- 5) Protect our grid from attacks and reform our energy market by setting reliability standards
- 6) Ban all tax-payer funded lobbying
- 7) Eliminate job-crushing regulations by sunsetting any that are not reviewed every 4 years
- 8) Reform the constitutional provisions on impeachment as proposed by Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick
- 9) End destructive ESG policies by statutorily defining fiduciary duty
- 10) Protect Texas women and girls and define "woman" in statute to thwart Biden's abusive policies
- 11) Establish a path to **eliminate property taxes** by requiring future surpluses be used to lower rates

Thank you for your consideration,

Brian Harrison