

**RESOLUTION TO CENSURE STATE REPRESENTATIVE ANGIE CHEN BUTTON
FOR IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE**

WHEREAS, Angie Chen Button was elected to serve the interests and values of her Republican constituents in Dallas County as their Republican Party of Texas nominee for State Representative, Texas House District 112, in the General Election of 2024;

WHEREAS, on January 7, 2025, Representative Angie Chen Button committed the following CENSURABLE ACT:

1. **She opposed Core Principle No. 5 of the Republican Party of Texas** defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as “Personal accountability and responsibility” **by violating key Plank 213.a. of the 2024 Republican Party of Texas Platform**, which states:

“We oppose the use of pledge cards and call for Republican members to caucus after each November General Election to determine, by secure secret ballot, their candidate for Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore.” [emphasis added]

Representative Button violated Plank 213.a. on January 7, 2025, when she violated the State Republican Executive Committee resolution passed on December 6, 2024, and the Republican Party Caucus Rules, by abandoning the Republican Caucus vote for Speaker of the House and, in an attempt to deny a quorum, met with the Texas House Democrat Caucus, which resulted in being able to secure an alternate candidate for Speaker by relying on Democrat support, as opposed to a Republican majority.

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2025, Representative Angie Chen Button committed the following CENSURABLE ACTS:

1. **She opposed Core Principle No. 5 of the Republican Party of Texas** defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as “Personal accountability and responsibility” by violating key Plank 213.a. which states:

“We also call for Republican members to vote as a unified body for their selected Speaker and Speaker Pro Tempore candidate when the Legislature convenes in regular session, provided that the individual selected in caucus for speaker publicly pledges to comply with the entirety of this plank.” [emphasis added]

Representative Button violated Plank 213.a. on January 14, 2025, by not voting for the Republican Caucus Nominee for Speaker of the House, and instead voting for Dustin Burrows, who had not pledged to comply with the entirety of the plank.

2. **She violated the will of the people of District 112 represented by the Dallas County Executive Committee (CEC)** by ignoring the letter sent on January 7, 2025, demanding she “support the House Republican Caucus Nominee, Representative David Cook, for Speaker of the House”, as stated in Plank 213.a. above. (See **Exhibit A – Dallas CEC Letter to Representative Button**)
3. **She violated Principle No. 10 of the Republican Party of Texas** defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as “**Honoring all of those that serve and protect our freedom**” by not honoring the will of the District 112 Precinct Chairs that serve and protect the freedom of the voters. (See **Exhibit A – Dallas CEC Letter to Representative Button**)

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2025, Representative Angie Chen Button committed the following CENSURABLE ACTS:

1. **She violated the voters’ rights in the Republican Party Preamble and Article 1 Section 2 of the Texas Constitution:** By imposing the “nuclear option” motion on the Texas House floor, which cut off any opportunity for amendments and any debate on the new rules, she violated the voters’ rights to proper representation through their elected State Representatives. This was an egregious act that disrespected the members of the Texas House of Representatives and millions of voters in Texas. Allowing deliberation is the bedrock of our republic. Not allowing deliberation is tyranny.
2. **She violated Legislative Priority No. 4 – No Democrat Chairs:** “The Republican-controlled Texas legislature shall end the practice of awarding committee chairmanships to Democrats and require all committees to be majority Republican.”

Representative Button circumvented the true intent of the Republican Party’s “No Democrat Chairs” Legislative Priority by voting in favor of **mandating the appointment of non-Republican committee Vice-Chairs**, with sweeping new powers as Co-Chairs, as per HR4, Rule 4, Sec. 4A:

“ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS. If, at the time the speaker announces the membership of standing committees, the members of the house of one political party constitute a majority of the membership of the house, the speaker shall designate a member of that party to serve as chair of each standing committee. The speaker shall not designate a member of that party to serve as vice-chair of a standing committee.” [emphasis added]

3. **She violated Texas Health and Safety Code Section 81B.002** by voting to mandate the committee members and public to wear masks to committee and subcommittee meetings.

WHEREAS, it shall be construed as Representative Angie Chen Button committing a separate additional CENSURABLE ACT for each committee Vice-Chair position awarded to a Democrat, each subcommittee Chair position awarded to a Democrat, and each committee or subcommittee that is not majority Republican for the current legislative session in opposition to “Legislative Priority No. 4 - No Democrat Chairs” adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c).

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Dallas County GOP Executive Committee recognizes the aforementioned violations as egregious acts and considered censurable offenses. Dallas County House District 112 Representative Angie Chen Button has deliberately gone against fellow members of the House of Representatives, against state law, against the Republican Party of Texas Preamble and Legislative Priority, and against the rights of the voters to proper representation;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Republican Party CENSURES State Representative Angie Chen Button according to the process in Republican Party of Texas Rule 44.a “for **THREE (3) OR MORE ACTIONS** taken during the Officeholder’s current term in opposition to the core principles of the Republican Party of Texas defined in the Preamble of the Party Platform as described in Rule 43A or to the Legislative Priorities adopted at the most recent State Convention as described in Rule No. 34(c).” [emphasis added]

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall serve as a formal request to the State Republican Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Texas to censure State Representative Angie Chen Button by imposing all applicable penalties set forth in Rule 44 of the Republican Party of Texas Rules, including but not limited to refusing to accept any application from her for a place on the ballot of a Republican Primary Election for a period of twenty-four (24) months following adoption of the censure and imposition of said remedy;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Dallas County Republican Party shall execute all penalties imposed by the State Republican Executive Committee of the Republican Party of Texas;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that this resolution has been delivered to Angie Chen Button no less than 7 days prior to the February 17, 2025 County Executive Committee (CEC) Meeting, and after the final vote of the CEC it shall be delivered in its final voted upon executed version to the Republican leadership within the Texas House of Representatives, Governor Gregg Abbott, Lt. Governor Dan Patrick, Atty. General of Texas Ken Paxton, the Republican Party of Texas (RPT) Chair Abraham George, RPT Vice Chair D’rinda Randall, and be made available to the public for full transparency.

Adopted by the Dallas County Republican Party on February_____, 2025.

_____, Chair, Dallas County Republican Party

Exhibit A – Dallas CEC Letter to Representative Button



January 7, 2025

Honorable Representative Morgan Meyer
Honorable Representative Angie Chen Button
Texas House of Representatives
Austin, Texas

Dear Representatives Meyer and Button,

Chairman West and the undersigned Precinct Chairs of the Dallas County Republican Party are writing to express our concerns with you, our representatives, regarding the upcoming election of the Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives.

On December 7, 2024, the Texas House Republican Caucus met to nominate a candidate for Speaker. Following a thorough and fair process, the Caucus elected Representative David Cook of Tarrant County as its official nominee. Regrettably, you:

1. Disrupted this process by attempting to deny quorum by walking out prior to the third and final vote, and
2. Secured an alternative candidate relying on Democrat support, thereby violating Republican Caucus rules.

As your constituents in Dallas County, we demand that you unite with your Republican colleagues by publicly supporting the House Republican Caucus Nominee, Representative David Cook, and voting to elect him as Speaker of the House.

In the event you do not support Representative David Cook for Speaker or you vote for any attempt to change the rules to allow for a secret ballot, Dallas County Precinct Chairs shall:

1. Proceed with a vote of your censure with all applicable penalties imposed,
2. Immediately campaign against you, and
3. Actively seek your replacements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Allen B. West'.

LTC Allen B. West (USA, Ret.)
Chairman, Dallas County Republican Party

Exhibit A – Dallas CEC Letter to Representative Button (Cont.)



Precinct Chair Endorsements

Jerry Barrett	1004	Elyce Mouskondis	2016	Preeti Malladi	2606
Bill Underhill	1006	Diane Benjamin	2021	Sharon Clark	2801
Liz Gover	1040	Susan Marks	2025	Alan Orr	2804
Jillian Hawkins-Zhorne	1044	Hollie Free	2030	Bill Hurlbert	2805
Joseph M. Kalka	1048	Gabriel Parra	2033	Jeff Colker	2808
Peter Bagg	1051	Audrey Hester	2043	Lola Hurt	2900
Bonnie R Watt	1057	Jack D Kocks	2047	Connie Chaney	2902
Jackie D Smith	1058	Melissa Katz	2057	Dawn Guerriero	3011
Christopher Southan	1060	Mary Ellen Smith	2058	John R Fournace	3019
Lee Jenkins	1081	Michael Geller	2077	Dr. Avis Hardaman	3042
Mike Hook	1115	Joseph Unsworth	2080	Mark Slenczka	3047
Sandra Loftis	1125	Karen Squillace	2114	Taft D. Thompson	3055
Bruce Dunai	1141	Emily Jourdan	2200	Shelimetra Davis	3082
Catherine L Marrs	1143	Jessica Perno	2201	Ken Hollingsworth	3207
Cace Collins	1146	Anne Palles	2202	Bobby Copeland	3307
Paul Elliott	1310	Mary C Huffines	2203	Jordan Lewis	3504
Helen May Nichols	1326	Grant Laughlin	2221	Anthony Torres	3702
Jorge R Porta	1327	Leslie Sorrels	2222	Barbara Millward	3961
Meg Comstock	1406	Marshall Ballard	2223	Steve McDaniel	3967
William Artzberger	1700	James Hairston	2224	Sharon Chapman	3968
Linda Deskin	1703	Carlton Hobbs	2300	Autumn McCall	4031
Danny Janes	1705	Jan Burke	2301	Phillip Granderson	4074
Teddy E Mumaw Sr.	1708	Brenda Brodrick	2303	Chris MacHatton	4077
Dick A. Mastin	1717	Jean Kenas	2405	Amy Lambert Lee	4079
Lori Stanford	1719	Kristen J. Bickham	2410	Babs Jackson	4095
James Wiederhold	1725	Eddie Dees	2501	Nathan Roberts	4141
Robert Higgins	1728	Bonnie Wells	2502	Kathryn Monette	4501
Joseph Schroeder	1733	Jason McCord	2506	Roy Getting	4601
Janie Brittain	1737	Fely Eichenberger	2511	Liz Patton	4605
Stephen Stanley	1741	Shirley Raven	2513	Charles Zipper	4616
Barb Stauffer	1752	Thomas Cooke	2514	Philip Harold	4617
Darrell Barry	2003	Bonnie Abadie	2518	Kelly Paulsen	4622
Barbara Kille	2004	Patrick Gibbons	2520	Jason Pati	4633
Anne Stone	2007	Lauren McDonough	2523	Angela Heiter	4662
Ally Raskin	2015	Danny Herrera	2604		