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Campaign For Speaker Begins In Earnest
The real race begins today

AUSTIN TX – Texas State Representative Tom Oliverson, conservative Republican candidate for Speaker of the House, released the following statement:

“Last night’s results made clear that Dade Phelan will be returning to the Texas House as a member. The only thing left to decide is whether he will be returning as Speaker.

“The conservative Republican majority in Texas have spoken. They want the Texas House to move in a different direction. They are fed-up with the status-quo and are clamoring for change. The fact that 9 GOP members decided not to seek reelection and 14 members were replaced by the voters proves that point.

“I have plainly articulated a [New Paradigm](#) and pledged myself to deliver real change in the way the Texas House of Representatives functions. Since my announcement in March, Republican members tell me they cannot allow another Session like the one we just had.

“I want to reiterate so that everyone is clear – I intend to take the fight all the way to the floor. I will ensure that Republican members will have the opportunity to declare their preference and cast their vote for the status-quo or a new direction.

“The Republican Majority will get the chance to go on the record as to whether or not they choose to continue to be ruled by Democrat Chairs, sit idly while House leadership wastes the first 60 days of the Session, chafe under a parliamentary system that is weaponized against them, suffer another Session without votes on key conservative priorities, and watch as leadership kills their bills over petty personality differences.

“The Speakers race should begin by nomination in caucus of the majority party – not a brokered backroom deal that empowers the tyranny of the minority. My campaign for Speaker moves to the next level today.”

More information about the campaign is available at www.TomForSpeaker.com

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