

Resolution Rejecting TLR and Their Corrupting Influence Against Conservative Policy and Candidates

WHEREAS, Texans for Lawsuit Reform (TLR) was founded in 1994 with a noble goal to rein in Texas' civil courts, which at the time were known as the "wild west of litigation"; and

WHEREAS, TLR should be lauded for their early contributions to legal policy, which made Texas one of the best states to live, work, and do business; and

WHEREAS, in recent times, there has been a pronounced shift in TLR policies and campaign contributions, which abandons their original, and noble, goal; and

WHEREAS, TLR has systemically donated over \$6,000,000 to liberal Democrats since 2000, including but not limited to:

- \$338,216 to Sen. Carol Alvarado,
- \$115,000 to former Sen. Morgan LaMantia,
- \$108,725 to Rep. Elizabeth Campos,
- \$105,000 to Sen. Judith Zaffirini,
- \$102,500 to Se. Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa,
- \$98,609 to Sen. Jose Menendez,
- \$85,000 to Rep. Vincent Perez,
- \$57,500 to Rep. Claudia Ordaz,
- \$54,000 to former Sen. John Whitmire,
- \$53,825 to Rep. Josey Garcia,
- \$52,500 to Rep. Philip Cortez,
- \$37,500 to Rep. Eddie Morales,
- \$33,500 to Rep. Barbara Gervin-Hawkins,
- \$31,000 to Sen. Cesar Blanco,
- \$22,539 to Rep. Senfronia Thompson,
- \$17,500 to Rep. Joe Moody,
- \$14,500 to former Rep. Sylvester Turner,
- \$11,028 to Rep. Terry Canales,
- \$10,000 to Rep. Donna Howard,
- \$8,500 to Rep. Mary Gonzalez,
- \$7,000 to Rep. Salman Bhojani,
- \$7,000 to former Sen. Rodney Ellis,

- \$6,000 to Rep. Suleman Lalani; and

WHEREAS, TLR's donations to these liberal Democrats has enhanced their ability to pass radical legislation, including efforts to further the Islamification of Texas, such as:

- Passing Resolutions recognizing the holy month of Ramadan with [HR 34](#) in 2025, [HR 532](#) and [HR 613](#) in 2023, and [HR 454](#) in 2021,
- Passing Resolutions recognizing the Muslim holiday of Eid al-Fitr with [HR 36](#) in 2025, [HR 1069](#) and [HR 1168](#) in 2023,
- Passing Resolutions recognizing the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [HR 32](#) in 2025, and [HR 581](#) in 2023,
- Passing a Resolution recognizing Ismaili Civic Advocacy Day at the State Capitol with [HR 614](#) in 2025,
- Passing a Resolution memorializing a Muslim Imam named Aga Khan IV with [HR 182](#) in 2025; and

WHEREAS, TLR has donated over \$1,300,000 to candidates censured by the Republican Party of Texas for lack of fidelity to Republican principles and legislative priorities, to include:

- [At least \\$489,450 to State Representative Angelina Orr](#), making TLR her top donor,
- [\\$252,000.00 to former Speaker of the Texas House, Rep. Dade Phelan](#), who oversaw the sham impeachment of Attorney General Ken Paxton in 2023, and was censured by the Republican Party of Texas **twice**, the first time after the 2023 legislative session, and again after the 2025 legislative session,
- \$195,096 to former Speaker of the Texas House, Representative Joe Straus, to help him fend off conservative challengers,
- [At least \\$179,375 to State Representative Jared Patterson](#), making TLR his top donor,
- [\\$115,400 to former State Representative Andrew Murr](#), making TLR his top donor. Representative Murr led the sham impeachment of Attorney General Ken Paxton in 2023,
- [\\$89,491 to former State Representative Stan Lambert](#), making TLR one of his top donors,
- [\\$70,250 to former State Representative Gary VanDeaver](#), making TLR one of his top donors; and

WHEREAS, in the 2026 Texas Republican Primary, TLR endorsed and spent over \$5,000,000 against strong grassroots champions, including, but not limited to:

- \$2,855,371 against GOP Nominee Armin Mizani,
- \$1,256,431 against Rep. Marc LaHood,
- \$438,463 against GOP Nominee Cheryl Bean,
- \$349,105 against GOP Nominee Dennis Geesaman,
- \$255,916 against GOP Nominee Kristen Plaisance,
- \$154,677 against Rep. Mark Dorazio,
- \$50,000 against Rep. Andy Hooper; and

WHEREAS, in the 2024 Texas Republican Primary, TLR endorsed and spent over \$6,500,000 against strong grassroots champions, including, but not limited to:

- \$1,419,748 against Rep. Brent Money,
- \$1,113,431 against Rep. AJ Louderback,
- \$675,582 against Rep. David Lowe,
- \$673,394 against Rep. Mitch Litte,
- \$627,951 against Rep. Matt Morgan,
- \$585,555 against Rep. Andy Hopper,
- \$556,032 against Rep. Keresa Richardson,
- \$405,924 against Rep. Wes Virdell,
- \$156,600 against Rep. Alan Schoolcraft,
- \$115,000 against Rep. Shelley Luther,
- \$97,000 against Rep. Marc LaHood,
- \$77,250 against Rep. Katrina Pierson,
- \$59,800 against Rep. Helen Kerwin,
- \$37,435 against Rep. Mike Olcott,
- \$23,000 against Rep. Hillary Hickland; and

WHEREAS, in other election cycles, TLR has spent millions against grassroots candidates, misleading Republican primary voters, and ensuring the Austin swamp thrives; and

WHEREAS, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton has accused TLR of being a driving force behind the Texas House's sham impeachment, which lacked any form of due process; and

WHEREAS, TLR was exposed circulating a pro-impeachment editorial for national news; and

WHEREAS, during the 89th Texas Legislative Session, TLR crafted and testified in support of SB 30, a bill that would have made any mention or suggestion of “values” such as family values, religious values, or community values illegal in Texas courts; and

WHEREAS, during the 89th Texas Legislative Session, TLR crafted and testified in support of SB 30, a bill that sought to prohibit any mention or suggestion “establishing a valuation of human life” in Texas courts, a direct contradiction to core Republican Principles as expressed in the 2026 Platform of the Republican Party of Texas, Principle 2, affirming that Republicans believe in “The sanctity of innocent human life, created in the image of God...”; and

WHEREAS, during the 89th Texas Legislative Session, TLR crafted and testified in support of SB 39 and HB 4688, bills that would have prevented a jury from automatically learning when a semi-truck driver can’t read or speak English after a crash, among many other safety measures. A position in direct contradiction to many Republicans, and the 2026 Republican Party of Texas Platform:

- [Executive Order 14286 by President Donald J. Trump](#), which calls English proficiency “common sense” and says “Proficiency in English...should be a non-negotiable safety requirement for professional drivers.”
- [Orders from Governor Greg Abbott](#), who said, “Every commercial driver license operator on Texas roadways must be able to communicate clearly in English to ensure compliance with traffic laws, follow safety directions, and prevent accidents,” and directed Texas DPS to enact zero-tolerance enforcement on the ability of semi-truck drivers to speak and read English
- A [United States Supreme Court Opinion](#) authored by Justices Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito, which says, “An illegal alien who cannot read English road signs cannot drive an 80,000-pound tractor-trailer.” Their opinion goes on to say that due to “systemic non-compliance with federal CDL standards” many truck drivers in America can not read or speak English, even stating that crashes involving non-English speaking drivers “are disturbingly common”,
- [An investigation by Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton](#) into Texas trucking schools for certifying non-English speaking CDL drivers,
- [2026 Republican Party of Texas Platform, Plank 54](#), which states “No CDLs to Foreign Drivers: We call on the Governor and Texas DPS to work with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to immediately take coordinated action to not only revoke non-domiciled Commercial Driver Licenses (CDL) issued to illegals (many of whom are not proficient in English), but also to find and apprehend them

to expel them from our country, and we urge the Texas legislature to pass stiffer penalties for companies found to be in violation. *We oppose any effort to withhold information about a truck driver, including their ability to read or speak English, from a jury during trial.*"; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Republican Party of _____ County, formally rejects TLR and calls on all Republicans in Texas to reject TLR and their corrupting influence against conservative policy and candidates;

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the State Republican Executive Committee with the recommendation that it be passed.