

June 11, 2023

CLERK OF THE COURT

Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick

*via email*

**Re: Request for Stay of House Subpoenas Pending Approval of Senate Rules**

Dear Lieutenant Governor Patrick:

Our letter to you dated June 10, 2023—requesting that you and the Senate exercise your sole constitutional and statutory authority to control these proceedings and prevent the usurpation of your authority by the House—has gone unanswered. Like in any court, the House’s silence should be considered a judicial concession that they are unopposed to our letter.

Accordingly, we reiterate our request that you and the Senate assert your exclusive authority over these proceedings now. We respectfully submit that you should put a stop to the House’s continued efforts to undermine the authority of the Senate to set appropriate rules and to govern all further proceedings, and that you grant the relief requested in our letter as unopposed.

We sincerely thank you for your consideration and your prompt attention to this important matter.

Very truly yours,

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