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**STONEWALL DALLAS OUTRAGED BY PAXTON'S DATA
OVERREACH TARGETING TRANSGENDER TEXANS**

DALLAS, TX (December 16th, 2022) —  Stonewall Democrats of Dallas is outraged by reports this week that Attorney General Ken Paxton took his targeted attacks of transgender Texans to a dangerous level that further threatens the safety and security of vulnerable members of the LGBTQ+ community.

“A federally indicted and corrupt attorney general requested data regarding gender marker changes on State IDs and driver licenses in order to compile a list of transgender Texans in what is clearly a gross overreach of authority and a clear abuse of power”, said Todd Hill, President of Stonewall Democrats of Dallas. “Every Texan should be outraged by the actions of Paxton, and it is particularly terrifying that these actions are a clear escalation of attacks by Republicans on the transgender community.”

Stonewall Democrats of Dallas calls for a full investigation into Paxton’s data request, and the media should be demanding answers from the attorney general’s office about it. In the upcoming 88th legislative session, legislators should make the safety and protection of transgender Texans a top priority versus attacking them with hateful and divisive bills. Instead, legislation should be passed that would further protect personal identifiable information of all Texans from politically-motivated abuses of power. Answers must be sought, and action must be taken.

Founded in 1996 by local activists, membership of Stonewall Democrats of Dallas is over three hundred strong, including former and current elected officials. We are one of the largest political organizations in Dallas County, and one of the largest chapters of Stonewall Democrats in the United States.

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