

**RESOLUTION OF CONDEMNATION OF
TEXAS STATE SENATOR KEVIN SPARKS**

Ector County Republican Party

September 5, 2023

WHEREAS, the Republican Party of Texas at the Second Quarter 2023 State Republican Executive Committee meeting in June 2023 CONDEMNED the politically motivated impeachment of Attorney General Ken Paxton by the Texas House of Representatives and IMPLORED Texas Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick and members of the Texas Senate to uphold Constitutionally guaranteed due process, fairness, precedent, and the rule of law by rendering judgment as a matter of law in the Texas Senate on the grounds that the House of Representatives failed to satisfy due process, to comply with applicable Texas law, and to adhere to precedent; that the articles of impeachment be dismissed with prejudice; and

WHEREAS, Texas State Senator Kevin Sparks repeated failed to uphold the constitutionally guaranteed due process of Attorney General Ken Paxton by voting at least 12 times against motions to dismiss or quash charges that were brought without due process in the House of Representatives including,

- 1) No-Evidence Motion for Summary Judgement on all articles
- 2) MOTION TO DISMISS ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT (I-VII, IX-XX)
- 3) MOTION TO DISMISS ARTICLES VII & XV
- 4) MOTION TO DISMISS ARTICLES IX & X
- 5) Motion to Dismiss Article I
- 6) Motion to Dismiss Article II
- 7) Motion to Dismiss Article III
- 8) Motion to Dismiss Article IV
- 9) Motion to Dismiss Article IX
- 10) Motion to Dismiss Article V
- 11) MOTION TO QUASH ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT
- 12) MOTION TO DISMISS OR HOLD IN ABEYANCE ARTICLES XVI-XX; and

WHEREAS, Texas State Senator Kevin Sparks voted against a motion to disallow evidence gathered in violation of the law to be presented during the Senate Trial; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Ector County had already spoken loudly by electing Ken Paxton as Attorney General in the November 2022 Election with 73.9% of the vote; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Ector County voted 69.1% for State Senator Kevin Sparks and Ector County voters expect our representatives to vote in accordance with the will of our voters; and

WHEREAS, Senator Kevin Sparks voted to deny the motion to dismiss at least 19 articles of impeachment that were based on events alleged to have taken place before January 1, 2023, the first day of Attorney General Paxton's current term. Such events may not serve to support impeachment per Texas Government Code §665.081 and nearly one hundred years of Supreme Court precedent beginning with Reeves v. State, 267 S.W. 666 (Tex. 1924). The Articles of Impeachment for actions taken prior to January 1, 2023 are Articles I-VII and IX-XX; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Ector County Republican Party CONDEMNS the politically motivated and unconstitutional actions of Senator Sparks during the Senate Impeachment Trial of Attorney General Ken Paxton, thereby denying the will of WE THE PEOPLE in seeking to overturn the November 2022 Election of Attorney General Ken Paxton with his votes to continue the impeachment process.

Be it further RESOLVED that the Ector County Republican Party calls on Senator Kevin Sparks to do his duty by voting to acquit Attorney General Ken Paxton and to return him to his rightful role as the Attorney General of the great state of Texas.

Be it further RESOLVED that the Ector County Republican Party calls on all other counties in Texas Senate District 31 to join us in this resolution.