TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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DISTRICT 10

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Governor Abbott:

Republicans lost last night, but Democrats were not inaugurated and won't be for another ten weeks.

As you know, during this time, we Republicans still control the entirety of the Texas government, and we must use every minute of it and every lever of power lawfully afforded to us to protect Texans against the coming four-year period of near total Democrat rule.

While I have been disappointed that my numerous requests for special sessions to pass countless conservative policy priorities have been ignored by your office, I write today to urgently ask for immediate action on the most imminent threat to our liberty in light of last night's election: unchecked executive emergency powers, which, if not revoked, guarantee that Gina Hinojosa assumes not just the powers our state constitution bestows upon a Governor, but will, in effect, inherit nearly all the powers of a dictator.

Due to Texas's absurd (and almost certainly unconstitutional) emergency powers laws, Gov. Hinojosa will literally inherit the power to modify laws, ignore laws, or create and enforce laws – including criminal laws – on a whim!

I warned years ago that NO governor, Republican or Democrat, should have these broad emergency powers.

Now that Texas has elected a Democrat governor, the urgency is undeniable, and inaction is intolerable.

You are still the Governor of Texas, and you still have the power to act.

I am respectfully demanding that you immediately call a special session to rein in executive emergency powers before it's too late by passing legislation like HB 911, which I authored in 2022.

For liberty,



Brian Harrison