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Texas Nurse Practitioners Endorse Eddie Rodriguez for SD 14
Nurses Weigh in on Texas Senate Race, Where COVID-19 & Healthcare Issues Emerge Front and Center

(Austin, Texas) Today, the Texas Nurse Practitioners Political Action Committee (PAC) endorsed Eddie Rodriguez for State Senate District 14. The nonpartisan Texas Nurse Practitioners PAC is the political arm of Texas Nurse Practitioners, the largest state association of nurse practitioners in the United States. With over 27,000 nurse practitioners licensed in Texas, nurse practitioners represent one of the fastest growing groups of health care providers in the state and across the country.

“As nurse practitioners who care for Texas patients every single day and are serving on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, we know the importance of having strong leaders like Rep. Eddie Rodriguez working tirelessly at the state Capitol to protect and promote public health,” said Texas Nurse Practitioners PAC Chair Peggy Ostrander. “Through nearly two decades of public service, Rep. Rodriguez has proven to be a dedicated, hard-working, and effective policy maker. We need his leadership in the Texas Senate.”

An eight-term member of the Texas House, Rep. Rodriguez is a proven advocate for the families, small businesses, and communities of Central Texas. Over the years, he has fought to expand consumer protections, promote women’s health, address child hunger and nutrition, and remove barriers to care for patients from all walks of life. In 2017 and 2019, Rep. Rodriguez co-authored legislation supported by a broad coalition of consumer, healthcare, and business organizations to remove barriers to nurse practitioners in Texas and expand access to care for patients, especially in Texas’ underserved communities.

“Across all of his efforts, promoting the health and wellbeing of his constituents has been Rep. Rodriguez’s number one priority,” added Ostrander. “Rep. Rodriguez is the champion we need to fight for nurses, patients, families, small businesses, and communities.”

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*The **TNP PAC** is the political action committee for Texas Nurse Practitioners. The purpose of the TNP PAC is to help elect and keep in office state public officials and candidates, without regard to party affiliation, who support legislative priorities that promote improving patient access to quality health care and nurse practitioners as healthcare providers. The PAC also strives to help promote political education and participation in the political process among members of the nurse practitioner profession.*