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**KEN PAXTON ACQUITTED**  
***Corruption Remains Rooted in the Texas Republican Party***

**Austin, TX:** In response to the acquittal of Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton, Annie's List released the following statement on behalf of **Executive Director, Ana Ramón:**

"The impeachment trial proceedings were a major step towards holding corrupt Ken Paxton accountable, but ultimately Paxton has been given a pass and will no doubt continue to misuse the Office of the Attorney General for his own personal gain and political grandstanding.

**"Even in the face of damning testimony, Texas Republicans will take whatever measures necessary to protect their own. We cannot put any trust in the GOP's ability to lead after acquitting Ken Paxton, and the danger they pose to our state should not be understated. Actions like this and the propping up of shameless elected officials like Paxton are indicative of a Texas where corruption knows no bounds.**

"Through this infuriating moment in Texas history, the Annie's List mission proves essential. We will continue to support and elect Democratic women leaders up and down the ballot who will serve our state with the transparency and integrity that Texans deserve."

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*Annie's List PAC has won more than 170 races across the state - making it one of the most successful political organizations in Texas. Since its founding in 2003, Annie's List has raised more than \$20 million to help progressive women run efficient and effective campaigns.*

*Annie's List's 20th anniversary comes at a critical moment in our history. Women's rights are under attack; there is a growing onslaught of restrictive abortion laws, threats to the LGBTQIA+ community, and challenges imposed on public schools. Today, more than ever, there is an urgent need for Annie's List.*

*With a proven track record of supporting women on their paths to elected office across all levels of government, Annie's List is a driving force for gender equity in Texas. And until equity is achieved, Annie's List Champions, staff, donors, allies, and volunteers will work tirelessly to advance women of all backgrounds in Texas politics.*