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SAN ANTONIO FAMILY ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBER TO ACT AS PANELIST AT TOWN HALL MEETING REGARDING SENATE BILL 6 AT 6:30 P.M. March 9, 2017

The San Antonio Family Association supports the Texas Privacy Act.

The Texas Privacy Act, Senate Bill 6, better known as "Bathroom Bill," is proposed for enactment in the current Texas State Legislature. The bill would make uniform, throughout Texas, the law governing use of public bathroom facilities and prohibit subordinate political entities from imposing unfunded mandates on businesses or imposing policies that jeopardize the safety of their customers and clients.

The San Antonio Family Association is committed to the protection of the family, women and children and, as a result, supports the passage of this bill based on the following key points:

- Texas has a duty to pursue passage of this law in order to protect citizens. States are guaranteed the right to make laws that reflect their distinct, independent sovereignty under our Constitution.
- The Texas Privacy Act seeks to stop the confusion that may be created by inconsistent laws created by various municipal and governmental entities regarding bathroom use, including the respective portion of the City of San Antonio's unjust Non-Discrimination Ordinance of 2013. A uniform state law would protect businesses from an unfunded mandate and prevent unnecessary risks to women and children who use public bathrooms.
- The Texas Privacy Act will aid law enforcement and Independent School Districts who have students competing in UIL across the state of Texas with uniform standards.
- Evidence shows the Texas Privacy Act will not adversely affect business in the State of Texas. Voters in the City of Houston, for example, abolished the city's non-discrimination ordinance, with 69% in favor, in 2015. Super Bowl LI (SB51) was held successfully in Houston in February 2017, proof the NFL and other businesses will still seek Texas venues for their events.
- The Texas Privacy Act is common sense legislation that is based on objective biology not subjective emotions or subjective psychology. The transgender community accounts for less than .5% (0.005) of the population. It does not make sense to endanger women based on the lifestyle choice of fewer than ½ of 1% of Americans. Texas has a current population of about 28,000,000 people with approximately 124,000-140,000 people who feel they are transgender. Moreover, a public high school of 3,200 children, only about 14 children who identify as transgender would have to use the bathroom of their biological gender, rather than almost 1,600 girls who would be forced to use the same bathrooms and changing rooms as boys who "identify" as girls. And the Texas Privacy Act allows for an Independent School District to make a necessary accommodation if necessary.

One of the San Antonio Family Association's board members will be representing the protection of women and children at tonight's meeting. Join SAFA at the Town Hall being held tonight at 6 pm at the Tobin Center for the Performing Arts to showcase your support of Senate Bill 6.

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