



July 31, 2020

Ronna Romney McDaniel
Chairwoman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Chairwoman McDaniel,

It was an honor being selected to serve as Chair of the Texas Delegation for the 2020 Republican National Convention. However, as we deal with the COVID-19 pandemic, my top priority remains focused on protecting the health and safety of Texans. As such, my duties as Governor will not permit me to attend the convention session in Charlotte, and specifically the 37(e) convention on Monday, August 24, 2020. In my stead, I am proud to delegate my duties to my friend, fellow conservative, and chairman of Texas Trump Victory, Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick. Lieutenant Governor Patrick was elected by the Texas delegates to be vice chair of the delegation, and as acting chair, he will represent Texas well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Greg Abbott". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Governor Greg Abbott

cc: Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick
Lt. Col. Allen West (ret), Chairman, Republican Party of Texas
Toni Anne Dashiell, RNC National Committeewoman
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