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Campbell Blasts Pres. Obama for Reckless Use of Power

"This is not the kind of immigration reform that is good for Texas or our families..."

Austin, TX – State Senator Donna Campbell released the following statement regarding the President's executive action on immigration reform:

"When Barack Obama was sworn in as President, he took an oath to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States. His decision tonight to go around 535 elected lawmakers and grant special rights to non-citizens through executive fiat is out of bounds and violates this oath. The President's hasty executive order threatens the very fabric of our constitutional Republic and intentionally bypasses the essential checks and balances of our democracy. He has recklessly put the rights of foreign citizens before the rights of American citizens and before the rule of law.

The majority of Texans understand that the President's immigration policy is not the kind of reform that is good for Texas or our families. Rather than solve the border crisis, this type of executive order exacerbates it. At a time when national unemployment for African-Americans is at an alarming 11.4% and unemployment for Hispanics is at 7.5%, granting even temporary amnesty to non-citizens illegally in this country harms out-of-work Americans looking to provide for their families.

President Obama's go-it-alone approach represents the exact kind of divisive politics that the people of our nation voted against on Election Night. As State Senator, I will do everything in my power to stand up for the rule of law and fight this reckless and unconstitutional maneuver against the citizens of Texas."

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Senator Donna Campbell is a practicing emergency room physician representing Senate District 25, which includes all or parts of Bexar, Comal, Guadalupe, Hays, Kendall, and Travis Counties. She defeated incumbent Jeff Wentworth two years ago to win her first term in the Senate and won an overwhelming victory for a second term starting in 2015.