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**Re: Sen. Cornyn is the right choice for Texans, lifelong and new**

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**Americans for Prosperity Action <sup>SM</sup> today announces its endorsement of Senator John Cornyn for reelection. AFP Action is dedicated to supporting candidates based on their active leadership roles on top policy priorities for improving the lives of all Americans. Below you will see the case for endorsing Sen. Cornyn.**

Texas is changing, rapidly. As a San Antonio native who's now a first-time homeowner in the Dallas area, I've experienced this transformation first-hand — new businesses, new buildings, new neighbors, higher property valuations, more people. Our state's population grew by [more than 3.5 million from 2010 to 2018](#).

But what often gets forgotten in the excitement of this economic prosperity are the policies and values that have enabled us to get to this point — and that electing politicians who want to take different approaches could make it all disappear.

It's not too early for residents — new, like many of my neighbors, or lifelong, like myself — to begin thinking about who should represent Texas values in Washington, D.C., come 2020. And it's imperative we support someone who has a proven track record of doing our voices justice. That someone is, and has been for years, Sen. John Cornyn.

Since Cornyn took office in 2002, he's fought to expand trade, for criminal justice reform that is smart on crime and soft on taxpayers, and for free expression. He has shown commitment to a fair and impartial justice system, and has helped bolster the Texas economy and lower the tax burden on families.

Cornyn, who grew up in an Air Force family, has also worked tirelessly to take better care of our veterans. This is certainly a priority for our state, as Texas is home to nearly [1.5 million veterans](#) and [15 major military installations](#).

Most recently, Cornyn helped pass the VA MISSION Act, which will give veterans greater access to quality health care. But before that, he cosponsored the [Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability Act of 2015](#) and the Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017. All these measures are aimed at putting the needs of veterans ahead of the wants of bureaucrats.



Cornyn puts the needs of the people ahead of government when it comes to economic policies, as well. His support for the [Employee Rights Act](#) and [free trade policies](#) shows he prioritizes Texas workers, while his support for rolling back onerous [Dodd-Frank regulations](#) proved he cares about getting government off the backs of small business owners.

And, of course, his leadership in passing the [Tax Cuts and Jobs Act](#) helped jumpstart our economy, allowing Texans to keep more of their hard-earned paychecks and helping businesses thrive.

Another area where he has been a champion is criminal justice reform.

Texas is leading the nation in criminal justice system reforms that increase public safety and save taxpayers money. Our focus on implementing job training and vocational education programs in prisons [resulted in a reduced crime rate](#). Cornyn took our Texas model to Washington via the First Step Act, which implemented some of those strategies at the federal level. He was a vocal supporter of the landmark, bipartisan criminal justice reform legislation and helped it get signed into law last year.

Without Cornyn's knowledge, experience and leadership, many important pieces of legislation passed in the U.S. Senate would not be a reality. Texans benefit greatly from having a seasoned leader representing us.

Anyone who recognizes how much Texas has to offer, newcomer and native alike, will understand that reelecting Cornyn will help preserve the kind of opportunities that drew us here or kept us here in the first place.