## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

HOUSTON JUSTICE, et al.,	
Plaintiffs,	
v.	
GREGORY WAYNE ABBOTT, et al.,	
Defendants.	

Case No. 5:21-cv-00848-XR

#### NOTICE REGARDING PENDING MOTION TO CONSOLIDATE

The State Defendants filed a Partially-Opposed Motion to Consolidate on September 14, 2021, in *La Unión del Pueblo Entero v. Abbott*, No. 5:21-cv-00844 (W.D. Tex.) (hereinafter *LUPE*) (ECF No. 24). In that Motion, the State Defendants asked the Court to consolidate four cases filed in the Western District of Texas that challenge Senate Bill 1— *La Unión del Pueblo Entero v. Abbott*, No. 5:21-cv-00844 (W.D. Tex.), *OCA-Greater Houston v. Esparza*, No. 1:21-cv-00780 (W.D. Tex.), *LULAC Texas v. Esparza*, No. 1:21-cv-00786 (W.D. Tex.), and *Houston Justice v. Abbott*, No. 5:21-cv-848 (W.D. Tex.). The same day, and before the State Defendants filed their motion, Judge Biery entered an order transferring the *LUPE* case to this Court's docket *sua sponte*.

On September 15, 2021, Judge Pitman entered orders transferring two other cases challenging Senate Bill 1 to this Court's docket—*OCA-Greater Houston v. Esparza*, No. 1:21-cv-00780 (W.D. Tex.) (ECF No. 8) and *LULAC Texas v. Esparza*, No. 1:21-cv-00786 (W.D. Tex.) (ECF No. 9).

The State Defendants hereby provide notice that, with all four cases challenging Senate Bill 1 now before this Court, none of the plaintiffs in these four cases currently oppose consolidation. On September 17, counsel for the *OCA-Greater Houston* plaintiffs stated that they no longer oppose

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consolidation.<sup>1</sup> The State Defendants' motion remains pending in the LUPE case.

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<sup>1</sup> Plaintiff Isabel Longoria in the *LUPE* case, and the plaintiffs in the *LULAC Tex.* case, have taken no position on the issue of consolidation.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was filed electronically (via CM/ECF) on September 21, 2021, and that all counsel of record were served by CM/ECF.

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