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## SEN. PERRY & REP. SPRINGER SUPPORT THE RIGHT TO DISPLAY "IN GOD WE TRUST"

AUSTIN, TX – Today Senator Charles Perry (R-Lubbock) and Representative Drew Springer (R – Muenster) issued a joint statement in support of Childress Police Department's right to display "In God We Trust" on their patrol cars.

"In God We Trust" was designated the national motto of the United States in 1956 after legislation passed by Congress was signed by President Dwight Eisenhower. The group behind the letter to Childress, the Freedom From Religion Foundation, has unsuccessfully fought to remove "In God We Trust" from other government fixtures such as currency and courthouses in the past.

"I stand firmly with Chief Adrian Garcia and the Childress Police Department as they protect their right to display 'In God We Trust' on patrol cars," said Perry. "We live in a country with a rich history of celebrating faith and honoring religious liberty. It is un-American to suggest a police department should not be allowed to display our national motto."

"Our law enforcement officers work hard to keep our communities safe and deserve our support, not demands like this," said Springer. "We are in the middle of a spiritual battle in America right now, with the issue of religious liberty front and center. I am proud of Childress Police Department for standing strong."

Senator Charles Perry and Representative Drew Springer both represent Childress in the Texas Legislature. For press inquires for Senator Perry, please contact Travis.McCormick@senate.state.tx.us. For press inquires for Representative Springer, please contact Jonathan.Mathers@house.state.tx.us.

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