



November 4, 2009

Dear Fellow Republicans,

On behalf of my wife, Anita, and many other like-minded Texans, I am proud to personally welcome you to the Texas Republican Party. Texans have always been an independent lot, and I know that you have not come to this decision lightly.

Our state and nation are facing challenging times, and now more than ever, it is vital that elected officials stand up for their values and beliefs as you have so boldly done. By acknowledging that you no longer wish to be part of an increasingly liberal Democratic Party, you send a message to other Texans that the Republican Party will continue to lead our state because of its belief in personal liberty, fiscal restraint, and limited government.

I know that Texas voters will continue to support candidates who share and defend the values most important to them, and I look forward to working with you and other Republicans in the months and years to come to keep Texas strong and prosperous well into the future.

God bless you, and through you, may he continue to bless the great state of Texas.

Sincerely,

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

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas