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**BEXAR GOP CHAIR DENOUNCES POLITICAL VIOLENCE
AND HONORS THE LIFE OF CHARLIE KIRK**

San Antonio, TX- Republican Party of Bexar County Chairwoman Kris Coons issued the following statement today in response to the tragic assassination of conservative Charlie Kirk at Utah Valley University:

“It is with a heavy heart and profound sorrow that The Republican Party of Bexar County mourns the tragic loss of Charlie Kirk. A beacon of young conservative leadership, a devoted son, husband, father, and influential voice of faith and reason, Charlie Kirk was taken from us in an act of senseless violence while courageously exercising his right to free speech. On what began as a normal day of civic engagement, tragedy struck. While addressing a crowd of approximately 3,000 people, Charlie became the victim of a fatal shooting. He was there to do what he loved most: to communicate, to listen, and to inspire. His loss is not only a blow to the Conservative community, but to the entire nation that values freedom of expression and the respectful exchange of ideas. As the founder of a renowned conservative organization, Turning Point USA, Charlie dedicated himself to the ideals of the U.S. Constitution and the belief that every voice matters. He inspired a new generation of conservatives to stand firm in their beliefs and to approach political engagement with both courage and civility.

The Republican Party of Bexar County unequivocally denounces all forms of political violence. There is no place in our democracy for hatred, intimidation, or bloodshed. The right to free speech is sacred and must be protected by all, regardless of viewpoint or persuasion. We call upon leaders from all backgrounds and affiliations to join us in condemning this act and to work together to foster a culture of civility and respect. Violence is never the answer; it serves only to deepen wounds and undermine the very freedoms that define our country.”

The Bexar County Republican Party extends its deepest condolences to the Kirk family, Turning Point USA, and all those touched by Charlie’s life and his vision for a better America. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Erika, their children, and the entire Kirk family during this unimaginable time of loss.

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