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## **Statement from Ken Lambrecht, President & CEO, Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas Regarding the Senate Health and Human Services Hearing**

“This morning, Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas notified the Chair of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services that we will not testify at today’s hearing.

“The health centers and ambulatory surgical centers affiliated with Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas have never participated in fetal tissue donation or research, though we recognize it is a standard practice within the medical community. Furthermore, the Committee has made it abundantly clear that it has no desire to hold a responsible, fair, fact-driven hearing. Therefore, we decline the request to testify in person.

“Planned Parenthood of Greater Texas has been providing high-quality, affordable healthcare to Texans for 80 years. Our patients’ health and safety is always our first concern. As a trusted provider of healthcare and education to nearly 85,000 Texans each year, our health center doors remain open to the women and men who rely on us.”

Our formal response to the Committee is enclosed.

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