



# The Daughters of The Republic of Texas

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## **Perry Signs Legislation Relating To Alamo Preservation**

AUSTIN—Following Texas Governor Rick Perry's decision to sign House Bill 3726, legislation relating to the preservation and maintenance of the Alamo by the General Land Office, officials with the Daughters of Republic of Texas said Saturday they are looking forward to working under new guidelines to continue their 106-year-long stewardship of the Cradle of Texas Liberty.

"We are pleased that Governor Perry has signed this legislation, and look forward to beginning an exciting new chapter in the history of the Daughters' stewardship of the Alamo," said Karen R. Thompson, President General of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

Thompson said the Daughters and Alamo staff have been in constant contact with the General Land Office staff as this bill moved through the Legislature, and are ready to move forward.

"Commissioner Patterson and the staff at the General Land Office seem eager to work with us, and we look forward to entering into a contract with them which will enable us to continue our work protecting one of the most important historical sites in the American Southwest," Thompson said.

Under the legislation signed by the Governor, the General Land Office is directed to enter into a contract with the Daughters of the Republic of Texas to insure continued operation of the historic shrine.

"The Daughters, the Alamo staff, and our Board of Management have wholeheartedly embraced this new direction and we look forward to many productive years working with the state to further the preservation of the Alamo," Thompson said.

The Daughters of the Republic of Texas includes approximately 8,000 members in 105 chapters across Texas.

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**NOTE:** Media wishing telephone interviews with President General Karen R. Thompson may contact Tony Cardi at the numbers above to arrange an interview.