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INDIVIDUALS CAN HELP GIVE A VOICE FOR OLDER TEXANS BY FILING FOR CANDIDACY IN THE TEXAS SILVER-HAIRED LEGISLATURE BY FEB. 26, 2021

HOUSTON, TX – Older Texans wishing to give a voice in the Texas Legislature for seniors in their area are urged to file for candidacy in The Texas Silver-Haired Legislature.

The Texas Silver-Haired Legislature is a nonpartisan and nonprofit organization comprised of 123 elected representatives aged 60 and older who advocate on issues concerning older Texans. Persons wishing to serve in The Texas Silver Haired-Legislature must file for candidacy through the Houston-Galveston Area Agency on Aging by Feb. 26. Forms for candidacy can be found at h-gac.com or by calling 713-993-4535.

The Texas Silver-Haired Legislature operates on the principles that legislative involvement is a primary responsibility of effective citizenship, and that citizenship is dependent upon information and knowledge about issues facing the community, state, and nation. Members of the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature represent their constituents by considering issues and passing resolutions addressing the needs of all Texans, providing nonpartisan education on issues, and motivating citizens to participate in governmental affairs. Elected representatives are required to attend meetings within the state at their own cost.

To file for candidacy, one must be an eligible voter in the state of Texas, 60 years of age or older, and a resident in a district lying within the Houston-Galveston Area Agency on Aging, which serves the 12 counties surrounding Harris County, including Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Waller, Walker, and Wharton. For more detailed information, contact the Houston-Galveston Area Agency on Aging at 713-993-4535.

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H-GAC is a voluntary association of local governments and local elected officials from the 13-county Gulf Coast planning region, which includes an area of 12,500 square miles and more than 7 million people. H-GAC works to promote efficient and accountable use of local, state, and federal tax dollars; serves as a problem-solving and information forum for local governments; and helps analyze trends and conditions affecting the region. For more information, visit h-gac.com.