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Mr. Alan Clark Director of Transportation Planning Houston-Galveston Area Council P.O Box 22777 Houston, Tx 77227-2777

## Re: Support for Transportation Improvement Program Southern Brazoria County Transit Operations and Maintenance Facility Application by the Gulf Coast Center

Dear Mr. Clark,

I am pleased to offer this letter supporting the Gulf Coast Center in the pursuit of funding for the Southern Brazoria County Transit Operations and Maintenance Facility through the Houston-Galveston Area Council's (H-GAC) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Every year in Brazoria County, the Gulf Coast Center (GCC), through Connect Transit, transports tens of thousands of people to medical appointments, grocery stores, employment, shopping centers, and school. Without the service offered by GCC Connect Transit, these residents would have severe difficulties in accessing these locations. I strongly believe in the importance of the services provided by Connect Transit and in the economic, mobility, and quality of life benefits the service bestows upon our residents. The new facility will allow for more flexible service and cut down on maintenance costs for the GCC Connect Transit Fleet. For this reason, I am pleased to have the opportunity to lend my support to this grant funding request.

On behalf of the residents of Lake Jackson, I greatly appreciate your consideration and support of this important project. I strongly urge H-GAC to award GCC a grant that will enable the muchneeded construction of this facility. Please feel free to contact me at (979) 415-2500 should you have any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Mayor, City of Lake Jackson