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October 1, 2018

Mr. Alan Clark Director of Transportation Planning Houston-Galveston Area Council 3555 Timmons, Suite 120 Houston, TX 77027

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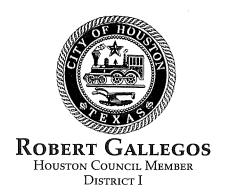
I believe supporting this project is an opportunity to create a safe multi-modal community that provides options for people to use public transit, walk, bike, and drive. It is consistent with my own efforts to improve walkability and multi-modal transportation. This project will build on significant investment already made by GEEMD and continue to positively transform the community.

Sincerely,

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Respectfully,

Robert Gallegos

Houston Council Member

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