

## **Commissioner Adrian Garcia**

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Mr. Craig Raborn Director of Transportation Houston-Galveston Area Council 3555 Timmons Lane Houston, TX 77027

Re: Harris County's grant application for funding under the Houston-Galveston Area Council's 2023 Project Selection Process – Sweetwater Lane Reconstruction Project

Dear Mr. Raborn:

I am writing to provide support and commitment to Harris County's grant application to the Houston-Galveston Area Council's (H-GAC) 2023 Project Selection Process for the Sweetwater Lane Reconstruction Project located in Precinct 2.

The proposed project focuses on critical improvements to Sweetwater Lane, reconstructing it into a curb and gutter concrete roadway. The project includes the construction of new sidewalks, streetlights, in-line drainage, traffic signals, a wider bridge over Halls Bayou, and other access management improvements to improve safety and connectivity.

These comprehensive improvements aim to enhance safety, improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities, improve flood resilience, and reduce travel delays along the Sweetwater Lane corridor. This project promises significant and measurable benefits for all users of this vital corridor and aligns seamlessly with the vibrant growth in the area.

Our grant application seeks \$24,000,000 in federal funding, complemented by an additional \$6,000,000 in matching funds provided by Harris County Precinct 2, amounting to a total project budget of \$30,000,000. The project's overarching goals revolve around improving safety, mobility, resiliency, economic competitiveness, equity in transportation, and strengthening community connectivity within Harris County.

We extend our sincere appreciation for considering this grant application and hold hope for a favorable review. Should you require further clarification or have inquiries regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact Dr. Milton Rahman at (713) 274-3605 or Milton.rahman@eng.hctx.net.

Respectfully,

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