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In Support Of the Baseline System Plan
in the H-GAC Regional Commuter Rail Connectivity Study

WHEREAS, the North Houston Association represents major employers, land owners, developers, professional firms and financial and commercial institutions and is dedicated to improving the quality of life in the north Houston area; and

WHEREAS, high-quality infrastructure and multiple solutions must be implemented to achieve improved regional mobility; and


WHEREAS, the Houston-Galveston Area Council's Regional Commuter Rail Connectivity Study provides for a Baseline System Plan for suitable progressive implementation of conventional, Federal Railroad Administration-compliant commuter trains and equipment, facilities, and track infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, the Baseline System Plan describes the corridors likely to be built first to represent a Baseline System, and those specific corridors were based on public support, strength of ridership demand, and strategic need in light of the construction of other corridor specific transportation infrastructure, and

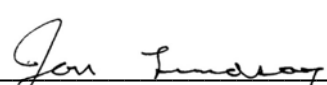
WHEREAS, the recommended corridors are US 290/Eureka Subdivision Corridor, SH 3/Galveston Subdivision Corridor, SH 249/BNSF Houston Subdivision Corridor, South Fort Bend/BNSF Galveston/Popp Subdivision Corridor, and SH 35 Tollway Corridor.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Houston Association supports the next steps be implemented for commuter rail in the US 290/Eureka Subdivision Corridor and the SH 249/BNSF Houston Subdivision Corridor. Commuter rail in these corridors will ultimately create a cost-effective, efficient transportation system essential for the quality of life that we support.

Adopted this 13th day of August, 2008



Roy Hearnberger
Chairman of the Board



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