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To: The Grand Parkway Association

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. High-quality infrastructure, including roads and bridges, is an essential requirement for continued growth and economic development.

The proposed SH 99 (Grand Parkway), and specifically Segment G, is a critical element of our transportation system to meet local and regional east-west mobility needs, and improve the safety of Harris and Montgomery County citizens and visitors. Such improvements will ultimately improve mobility and ease the commutes of our region's residents and workers.

Our focus is to enhance the quality of life for the region, including neighborhood integrity, natural vegetation, and wetlands areas. Paramount in our mission as well is assuring that the north Houston area is an attractive place for businesses to relocate or expand and for families to live. Therefore, the North Houston Association strongly supports the Grand Parkway Association's implementation of Segment G. This segment connected with the other segments of the Grand Parkway will ultimately create a cost-effective, efficient transportation system essential for the quality of life that we support.

We continue to strongly encourage all interested parties to work towards ensuring Houston's reputation as an area dedicated to economic opportunity and to its residents' quality of life by supporting the completion of the Grand Parkway.

Sincerely,

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