



**Lake Houston
Redevelopment Authority**

The Honorable Greg Abbott
P.O. Box 12428
Austin, Texas 78711-2428

Re: Lake Houston Spillway Dam Improvement Project

Dear Governor Abbott,

On behalf of the Lake Houston Redevelopment Authority ("Authority") and Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 10, City of Houston, Texas ("Zone"), I am writing you today to express my strong support for the Lake Houston Dam Spillway Improvement Project, which is being considered as part of Senate Bill 1, Article XI.

The Authority is currently designing and constructing flood mitigation projects in the Kingwood area as part of the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan of the Zone. The construction of improvements to the Lake Houston Dam Spillway will further assist in addressing flooding in the Kingwood area. By not adding additional controlled release structures and stability features to the dam, the community will continue to be at risk of flooding.

The City of Houston has already secured \$48 million in federal dollars and has committed a local match of \$30 million. Now we need State dollars to get this project off the ground and bring real tangible flood mitigation improvements to the community. We implore you to assist us and our local partners in furthering this important project.

I thank you in advance for your assistance in this matter.

Best Regards.

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