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The Honorable Rick Perry
Governor
State of Texas
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Dear Governor Perry:

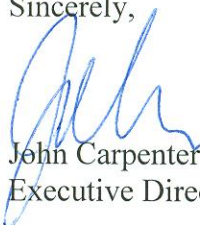
We are pleased to learn of your support for our local option proposal to fund Texas Local Option Transportation Act. The Dallas Regional Mobility Coalition (DRMC) appreciates your leadership and your public vote of confidence for the pending legislation.

As you know, the Dallas/Fort Worth area is the fourth-largest metropolitan area in the United States – behind only New York, Los Angeles and Chicago. Our region's population is projected to reach 9.5 million by 2030, and it is clear that our infrastructure will not be able to accommodate the growing needs of our businesses and citizens, if we do not act now to make significant changes. Further, our economic vitality is dependent on a robust transportation system. Passing this local option funding initiative benefits not only our region but also the entire state.

The DRMC is committed to working with you and your colleagues in the House and Senate to stop diversion of transportation resources, as well as pass the Texas Local Option Transportation Act.

We are grateful for your continued support of transportation investment, and we thank you for your service on behalf of all Texans.

Sincerely,



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