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SENATOR LARRY TAYLOR
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Mr. Bruce Bugg
Chairman, Texas Transportation Commission
125 E. 11th St.
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Dear Chairman Bugg,

I respectfully request the Texas Transportation Commission (Commission) reconsider its recommendation to de authorize funding for Segments B and C of State Highway 99, also known as the Grand Parkway.

The Grand Parkway is an ambitious legacy project conceptualized in the 1960's and has become more crucial as our region has developed. The Grand Parkway segments that were to be built in Galveston and Brazoria Counties would open up the region to increased commerce and provide area residents with an additional and much needed option to commute throughout the Houston region for work or school. Most importantly, it would serve as a lifeline and evacuation route for hundreds of thousands of Gulf area residents in the event of a hurricane. As our region's economy flourishes and its population grows, it is vital that our transportation infrastructure keeps up with the demands placed upon it.

I appreciate the Commission's commitment to the efficient stewardship of Texas tax dollars. It is my hope that we can work together to address the transportation needs of our great state, particularly Segments B and C of the Grand Parkway, which are of great importance to my constituents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larry Taylor".

Larry Taylor
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