



OFFICE OF COUNTY JUDGE  
TIM O'HARE

February 21, 2025

The Honorable Greg Abbott  
Office of the Texas Governor  
1100 San Jacinto  
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Governor Abbott:

On December 9, 2024, my office sent you a letter along with a copy of a Resolution Supporting the Establishment of a State Funded Mental Health Facility for Tarrant County Residents, unanimously passed by the Tarrant County Commissioners Court on December 3, 2024. As previously expressed, Tarrant County has an urgent need for enhanced mental health services and is seeking funding from the state of Texas.

The Resolution respectfully requested for the State of Texas to explore one of the following solutions: 1) development of a mental health facility in Tarrant County, 2) expansion of an existing facility with space allocated specifically for the residents of Tarrant County, or 3) funding for Tarrant County to partner with a local healthcare provider to serve Tarrant County residents.

In addition to the Commissioners Court, Tarrant County Sheriff Bill Waybourn and Tarrant County Criminal District Attorney Phil Sorrells are in full support of the Resolution as well as several Mayors in Tarrant County, who understand the severity of the mental health issues we face. As a follow up to my initial letter, I am submitting signatures from several Tarrant County Mayors in support of this Resolution. We appeal to the State of Texas for support in finding a solution to this mental health service shortfall.

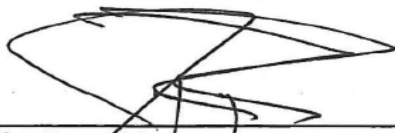
Your leadership in tandem with the leadership of the Lt. Governor, Speaker Burrows, and the Legislature, will be crucial in achieving a solution for these critical services.

Thank you for considering this important issue. I would be grateful for the opportunity to meet with you or your staff to discuss this request in more detail. Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Tim O'Hare  
County Judge

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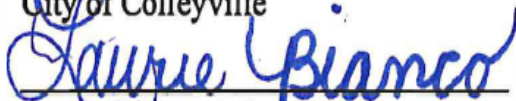
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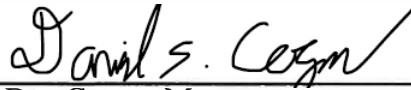
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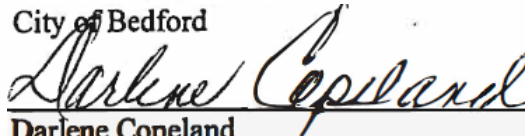
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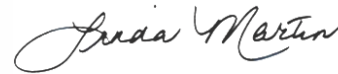
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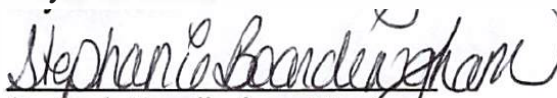
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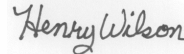
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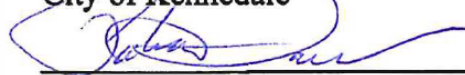
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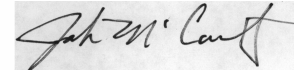
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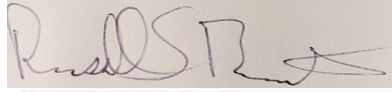
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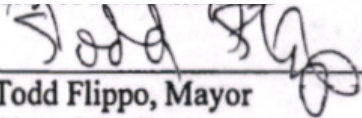
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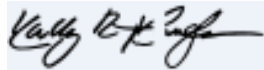
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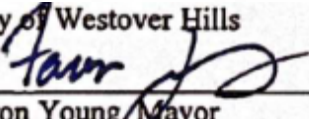
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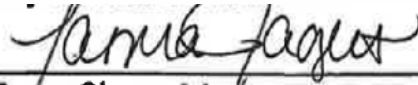
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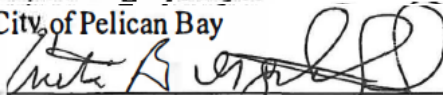
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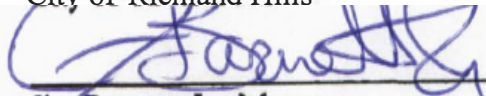
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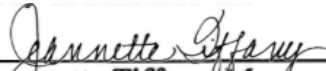
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