

**SPRING-KLEIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
RESOLUTION
IN SUPPORT OF THE TEXAS BULLET TRAIN**

WHEREAS, The Spring-Klein Chamber of Commerce's goals are to connect businesses within the Spring-Klein community and help the growing community to thrive;

WHEREAS, Its members recognize that a strong transportation system is fundamental to the region's quality of life and economic growth, attracting new businesses and generating new jobs;

WHEREAS, Strong economic growth and increased populations are projected in the Houston and North Texas regions over the next 20 years;

WHEREAS, The existing plus committed infrastructure for highways will be inadequate to address the increased interaction between the two regions because of this growth;

WHEREAS, The high-speed rail project will be Texan-led and privately developed, not competing for the state's limited transportation dollars;

WHEREAS, Travel time between the Houston region and North Texas is expected to increase to 6.5 hours by the year 2035, and high-speed passenger rail will provide an efficient and cost-effective mode of transportation, traveling between the two regions in 90 minutes;

WHEREAS, The technology being deployed is the world's safest high-speed rail technology – the N700-I total bullet system, which boasts a flawless 50+ year safety history in Japan;

WHEREAS, The project is projected to generate a direct impact of \$36 billion to the Texas economy over the next 25 years, creating 10,000 full-time construction jobs each year during the anticipated four-year construction period and 1,000 full-time jobs after the system goes into service; and

WHEREAS, Taxing entities along the proposed route are projected to receive an estimated \$2.5 billion from Texas Central over 25 years; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Directors of the Spring-Klein Chamber of Commerce is pleased to endorse the high-speed train project because it provides a safe, reliable and productive transportation alternative for those traveling between the Houston region and North Texas.

ADOPTED this 17 day of Nov 2017 by the Board of Directors of the Spring-Klein Chamber of Commerce.

President Spring Klein Chamber
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