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Representative Terry Canales
Chairman Committee on Transportation
Texas House Representative District 40
101 N. 10th Avenue Suite
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Dear Chairman Canales,

We write to express our strong support for the Texas Central high-speed rail system project connecting Dallas to Houston. The state of the art rail project will catapult Texas into a lead role in the U.S. transportation system.

Over 10,000 jobs will be created in the region not only during the construction phase of the project but will also serve as a pathway to various employment fields and provide workforce training through Texas Central's workforce development initiative. Employment opportunities will benefit both major and small rural cities. This will help address the low job opportunities that many small towns face.

This project will be the first highspeed rail system in America and create an economic boost throughout the region. Major cities will be intricately connected and new business opportunities will emerge for small and large businesses. The unique opportunities this project will generate are immediate and will have a lasting effect for generations to come.

Texas Central is committed to developing the necessary workforce for this project that will increase the regions experienced and skilled labor market. This newly skilled and experienced workforce will help to address the shortage of skilled workers needed for major projects throughout Texas.

NAMC, Inc. – Greater Houston Chapter agrees to support this vital project. Thank you for your consideration.

Please feel free to contact us to with any questions regarding our support for this history making project. Respectfully,

Ruben Mercado Jr

Chairman – NAMC Greater Houston Chapter