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NUMERO LINO LEAD CORPORATE PARTNER March 6, 2007

Mayor and City Council City of Austin 301 W 2nd St. 2nd Floor Austin, Texas 78701

Re: Waller Creek Tunnel Project

Mayor Will Wynn and Austin City Council

It is with great pleasure that we submit to you the attached Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (GAHCC) Board of Directors resolution in support of the Waller Creek Tunnel project for downtown Austin

As you know, the GAHCC is an organization noted for its committed work with the community, local business and government agencies on issues that enhance business and the quality of life for the City of Austin and its residents. It is our firm belief that this project will not only improve the aesthetics of the downtown area but will provide fertile ground for new and vibrant business and redevelopment opportunities for the City and its residents

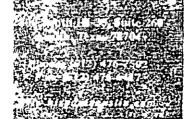
Thank you once again for your perseverance and hard work in bringing this project to fruition. Our Board and organization stands ready to assist the Council and the City of Austin should you require support in the planning or implementation phases of this exciting initiative.

Sincerely,

Paul Saldaña, Board Chair

Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Attachment



GREATER AUSTIN HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

WALLER CREEK TUNNEL RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Waller Creek abuts the Austin Convention Center and in its present state, the area is not conducive to additional development, and

WHEREAS, construction of the storm water bypass tunnel would allow for such improvements that would naturally encourage landscape and architectural changes to positively impact the appeal of the Convention Center area and the Mexican American Cultural Center

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce advocates on behalf of downtown business development and projects designed to further expand amenities and augment the general visitor experience

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce fully supports efforts to build a storm wall bypass tunnel from Waterloo Park to Town Lake, as the proposed project encompasses structural features for flood management and erosion control, thereby significantly reducing safety hazards in the area and improving the water quality while preventing further damage to the Waller Creek floodplain.

Paul Saldaña Board Chair

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