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October 14, 2015

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Veronica Escobar  
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Hidalgo County Commissioners Court  
c/o Honorable Ramon Garcia, County Judge  
P.O. Box 1356  
Edinburg, Texas 78540

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Re: **Hidalgo County Appointment of a Representative to the  
Urban Counties Policy Committee**

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Tarrant County  
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Williamson County  
Comm. Kevin Burns  
Wise County

Dear Judge Garcia:

The Texas Conference of Urban Counties respectfully requests that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court appoint one of its members to serve on the Urban Counties Policy Committee for the 2016-2017 term.

County Commissioner Joe Palacios currently serves as Hidalgo County's representative on the Policy Committee.

The Bylaws of the Urban Counties provide that each member county with a population of more than 400,000 has individual representation on the Policy Committee.

The Policy Committee is responsible for developing and adopting all legislative positions of the association. Meetings are held each quarter during the interim and monthly or as called during the legislative session.

Please forward to us a copy of the minute order or resolution making your appointment to the Policy Committee. If you need assistance or would like sample language, please contact Michael Vasquez or Windy Johnson at 512/476-6174.

As the Urban Counties Vice-Chairman of Policy, Harris County Judge Ed Emmitt currently serves as Chairman of the Policy Committee.

Thank you for your continued support and participation in the Urban Counties. Please contact me if I may be of additional assistance on this or any other matter.

Sincerely,



Donald Lee  
Executive Director

cc: Hidalgo County Commissioners

**Executive Director**

Donald Lee

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