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INVOICE

BILL TO

Hidalgo County
The Honorable Richard Cortez
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DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
County Membership Dues for 2020-2021	600,000	0.05	30,000.00

The Texas Border Coalition (TBC) estimates a portion of your membership dues are allocable to lobbying expenses which are not deductible for federal tax purposes under IRC 162(e). If actual non-deductible lobbying expenses in any calendar year are greater than estimated non-deductible lobbying expenses, TBC will carryover the excess into the subsequent calendar year estimate as allowed under IRC 6033(e)(2). TBC estimates that 20% of your membership dues will be allocable to non-deductible lobbying expenses.

BALANCE DUE

\$30,000.00

TBC dues are calculated based on population. Cities are ten cents per capita, capped at \$45,000. Counties are five cents per capita, capped at \$30,000. Economic Development Entities and Chambers of Commerce are \$1,000 for entities with operating areas serving less than 25,000 people, \$2,000 for areas serving 25,000-50,000 and \$3,000 for areas serving over 50,000.

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Mission:

To make legislative
recommendations to
help the Texas Border Region
grow and prosper economically



July 29, 2020

The Honorable Richard Cortez
County Judge, Hidalgo County
100 E. Cano St. 2nd Floor
Edinburg, TX 78539

In re: Invitation to 2020-21 Membership in Texas Border Coalition

Dear Judge Cortez:

The Texas Border Coalition (TBC) serves as the collective voice of elected, community and business leaders representing the more than 2.5 million people from South Padre Island to El Paso on issues that affect the border region's quality of life. The coalition is committed to developing innovative policies and legislation at the national and state levels that will help border communities stay healthy, grow and prosper.

As our border communities face the compounded threats of the global COVID-19 pandemic, economic turmoil, cross-border travel interruptions and revenue shortfalls, it is crucial that we work and speak with a strong, unified voice. This means elected, business and community leaders joining together across our border region to fight for our communities and keep our people safe, prosperous and healthy. **That's why I'm reaching out to invite you to become an active member of TBC for 2020-21 and join our strong, unified voice for the border region.** An invoice is attached for your convenience.

As TBC Chairman, I am eager to work closely with other border elected, community and business leaders in our shared effort to identify policy issues that have a unique impact on our region -- such as the challenges for our border health care system during the pandemic, effective and safe education for all children, border security, implementation of the USMCA trade agreement, and state and federal spending on border health, education and transportation projects --- and advocate for common sense solutions with a strong, unified voice on behalf of border communities.

On behalf of TBC, I encourage you to become an active partner in TBC's advocacy efforts and join us as a full dues-paying member for 2020-21.

Meeting Schedule: We will hold a Virtual Quarterly Meeting on September 17 via Zoom. During our quarterly meeting we'll be hearing from speakers on the pandemic response, progress on the 2020 Census count, the new USMCA agreement and other TBC issue priorities. We will circulate a complete agenda ahead of the meeting.

TBC Election for Chair-Elect: During the TBC Virtual Quarterly Meeting on September 17, TBC members will be electing our new Chair-Elect, who will serve with me

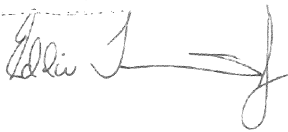
and succeed me as TBC Chair in October 2021. Under the TBC By-laws, candidates for TBC Chair-Elect must be a current or former elected representative of a TBC member city or county. **TBC dues-paying members who are in good standing for the 2020-21 fiscal year will be eligible to vote for our new TBC Chair-Elect.**

In order to get a taste of TBC's work and the collaborative nature of our group, I also invite you to participate in our regular TBC conference calls, held at 9:00 am CT on the second Wednesday of each month. I chair our monthly calls, which are a great way to get the latest updates and analysis on policy issues like federal appropriations for the pandemic response, infrastructure and other TBC priorities; border wall construction; CBP staffing; transportation funding; interim committees in the Texas Legislature; and many other issues that are crucial for border leaders. Please contact TBC's consultant Elizabeth Lippincott at elippincott@vianovo.com or 512-744-0044 to be included in our monthly legislative updates.

The most important lesson of TBC's work over the decades is that border communities can achieve results when we lead by consensus, speaking as a collective voice of border elected officials, business and community leaders for the 2.5 million people living in the Texas border region. When we stand together on priority issues that affect border communities, state and federal officials pay attention. Our most important asset is our unity.

TBC is strongest when we have the insights and expertise of all kinds of border leaders. Please join us as a full TBC member and participate in our monthly update calls, our Virtual Quarterly Meeting on September 17 and the election of our TBC Chair -Elect and add your voice to our strong, unified effort on behalf of the border region.

Sincerely,



Eddie Treviño, Jr.
Cameron County Judge
TBC Chairman

About the Texas Border Coalition

The Texas Border Coalition (TBC) is a collective voice of border mayors, county judges, economic development commissions focused on issues that affect 2.5 million people along the Texas-Mexico border region and economically disadvantaged counties from El Paso to Brownsville. TBC is working closely with the state and federal government to educate, advocate, and secure funding for transportation, immigration and border security, workforce development, economic development and health care. For more information, visit the coalition website at www.texasbordercoalition.org. Follow TBC on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) [#TXBorderCoalition] to keep up to date on all of the latest news about the coalition and its activities.