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June 2, 2011

The Honorable Dan A. Gattis
Williamson County Judge
710 South Main Street #101
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Re: Fireworks, Drought Conditions

Attn: John Sneed, Sr. Director of Emergency Services

Dear Judge Gattis:

I am sending this letter to you because I represent the major fireworks vendors in Williamson County for the purpose of trying to help plan for a 4th of July selling season in Williamson County. We realize the dry conditions continue to persist and we want to be a part to help with a solution so that all Williamson County citizens can celebrate and enjoy the 4th of July.

I would like to offer a very effective program that has been used during the dry conditions, going back to 1996. I have taken the liberty of discussing these possibilities with Sr. Director John Sneed of Emergency Services. Please consider the following, rather than declaring a Disaster Declaration and banning the sale and use of fireworks in Williamson County.

The fireworks vendors would voluntarily give up the "stick rockets & missiles with fins and rudders" and we would go to a shortened selling period. Rather than an 11 day season, from June 24th thru July 4 (11 days) we would like to open July 1st (Friday) and close on July 4th at Midnight (4 days). We have had this type of program in Williamson County before, during times of continued drought. This is very effective program at saving property, fire fighters, fire fighting equipment and it still allows the citizens of Williamson County to celebrate the 4th of July.

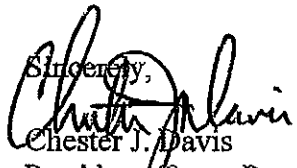
I am working toward providing this same program information of shortened selling days and no sales of the "Sticks & Fins" to Bastrop, Travis, Hays, Caldwell, Comal, Guadalupe, Bell Counties. Actually, I am working on this effective program Statewide! I know, that although the shortened season means loss of sells, it is very important to the future of our industry in Texas and Williamson County. I also have a very good relationship with John Sneed so that if more changes need to take place during the time we would be open, we can and will.

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Thank you Judge Gattis, for taking the time to consider my proposal to make this 4th of July a safe and successful one for all Williamson County citizens. I am looking forward to being at the Commissioners Court meeting at 9:30 am on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 to speak about my proposed plan to you and the Commissioners. I appreciate the opportunity to present my effective program.

I hope my letter finds the entire Gattis family all doing well. Please pass on to my good friend former State Representative Dan Gattis how much I have missed him this legislative session. He would have made a great Texas Senator too!

Sincerely,

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THANK YOU,

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