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James Bass
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Dear Mr. Bass:

On behalf of the citizens of Bexar County, I want to extend our gratitude for all you and your team do to improve mobility throughout the State of Texas. We truly appreciate the great work of the Texas Department of Transportation.

I am writing today about an issue in one of our suburban communities, the City of Castle Hills. As part of a broader effort to make much needed improvements on 410 North, the Department has presented plans to close the only north-south connector within the City of Castle Hills, Honeysuckle Road. I am concerned that elimination of through movement on Honeysuckle will have a disproportionate impact on this small city.

The residents of Castle Hills have overwhelmingly expressed objection to a change that effectively bisects the core of Castle Hills. For a city of less than 5,000 in population, connectivity to neighbors, City Hall, the only park, and the elementary school is an important part of the overall sense of community and goes to the heart of why people choose to live in a small town.

Respectfully, I request that the Department work closely with the City of Castle Hills to identify a solution that maintains connectivity within their community and still meets your goals of creating a safer, less congested route on 410.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for all you do for Texans.

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Mayor Timothy Howell, City of Castle Hills