

TEXAS HIGH SPEED RAIL & TRANSPORTATION CORP.

The Future of Transportation and Economic Development in Texas

POSITION RESOLUTION: 2008-04-005

Description: *Resolution by the Texas High Speed Rail & Transportation Corporation thanking Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison for her active support of the Corporation in the federal appropriations process in this 110th Congress.*

WHEREAS, Texas High Speed Rail & Transportation Corporation (THSRTC) is a not-for-profit, tax exempt corporation dedicated to bringing together specific regions of the State of Texas in a grassroots, collective effort to improve multi-modal surface transportation and bring high-speed rail to the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, The Texas T-Bone would increase property values, promote economic development, provide strategic military deployment opportunities, mitigate traffic congestion and increase energy efficiency for the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hutchison has represented the State of Texas since 1993 and serves on the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation, Appropriations, Veterans Affairs, and Rules and Administration Committees; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hutchison has been an active and dedicated supporter of the Corporation for many years and has worked diligently with the Corporation to secure legislative language to recognize this corridor; and

WHEREAS, The necessary next steps toward high speed rail development include support for the federal designation of the Brazos Express Corridor, language amending the existing South Central High Speed Rail Corridor to include the 'Brazos Express' Corridor from Killeen/Temple to Houston/Harris County via College Station, and assistance to secure a \$25 million Congressional appropriation for the necessary initial corridor studies.


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TEXAS HIGH SPEED RAIL & TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION:

THAT The THSRTC expresses its sincere appreciation and gratitude to Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison for her active support of the Corporation in the federal appropriations process in this 110th Congress.


THAT THSRTC continues to educate, brief and advocate for the Texas T-Bone alignment which would connect the major metropolitan areas in Texas into the first truly high speed rail network in the United States.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE TEXAS HIGH SPEED RAIL & TRANSPORTATION CORPORATION, this 24th day of April, A.D. 2008.

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