Dear Neighbors and Friends of the Tejano Center for Community Concerns:

The Tejano Center for Community Concerns (The Tejano Center) thrives on community service, and its tremendous energy and dedication to help others make me proud to lead this great organization. As the interim president and CEO of The Tejano Center, I remain as committed now as I was when I joined other like-minded community advocates 25 years ago to found this exemplary neighborhood resource that helps others to realize their hopes and dreams.

Since its inception, The Tejano Center has dedicated its entire nonprofit operation, including the Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success charter school district, to empower the families and neighborhoods of Houston's East End. By providing effective programs and services such as safe and affordable housing, a college preparatory education, adult education, youth shelters/foster care, and teen health clinics, we at The Tejano Center have accomplished so much thanks to our unwavering commitment to those most in need and to our focus on strong, productive partnerships within Houston's business and civic communities. By working together, we have the unique opportunity to improve the lives of so many who simply need a helping hand to beat the odds and live and work productively and successfully.

The Tejano Center's commitment to the community remains strong through good times and bad. I am proud that we provided disaster relief and respite in the chaotic aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, and I am equally proud that our day-to-day mission continues to strengthen the self-sufficiency and self-respect of all individuals, young and old.

Going forward, it is my goal to develop more strategic global partnerships, ensure greater financial stability, and improve overall operations, all while recognizing our impressive past record of success. There is so much potential for us to work together to expand the reach of the organization, increasing our support to others in need. I invite you to join us in this effort as we determine the next successful chapter of service for the Tejano Center for Community Concerns.

Sincerely,

Adriana Tamez, Ed.D

Interim President and CEO