



April 9, 2020

Honorable Greg Abbott
P. O. Box 12428
Austin, TX 78701

Dear Governor Abbott:

RE: Tax Appraisals

Let us first thank you for the leadership that you have provided as you attempt to navigate the Great State of Texas and its citizens out of this economic and medical disaster due to COVID-19. We understand and appreciate the great many obstacles that you are faced with every single day and realize that you are aware of the issue of Tax Appraisals on the verge of being sent out based on values as of January 1, 2020. These appraisals will not be a true reflection of the current property values due to declines since January 1, 2020 as a result of the recent disaster and we are equally optimistic that you will act to remedy this matter in the very near future.

Please be aware, as leaders in Brazos County, we feel it is important that we convey to you the necessity of a successful outcome on behalf of the citizens of Brazos County, the City of Bryan, and the City of College Station in conjunction with the citizens of the entire State of Texas. Therefore, we respectfully request that you as Governor of the Great State of Texas, as soon as reasonably possible, by Executive Order or by convening in a Special Session of the State Legislature, freeze all appraisals to those values as of January 1, 2019, extend the ending day for protests and/or require all appraisal districts to reappraise valuations based upon the current market conditions as they now exist under this "National Crisis."

Soon property owners will be receiving the January 1, 2020 appraisals which will cause additional stress and concern for so many citizens and businesses that are struggling. They need to hear from you IMMEDIATELY that help is coming and that you are preparing to act on this issue very soon.

Sincerely,

Duane Peters
Brazos County Judge

Andrew Nelson
Mayor of City of Bryan

Karl Mooney
Mayor of City of College Station

Kyle Kacal
State Representative, District 12

John Raney
State Representative, District 14