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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Hood County, Texas (the “*Issuer*”) is represented by First Southwest Company (our “*municipal/financial advisor*”) to provide advice on recommendations and other advice from financial services firms concerning the issuance of municipal securities, the investment of bond proceeds and escrow investments. The Issuer will rely on our municipal/financial advisor by seeking and considering their advice, analysis, and perspective before acting on any such recommendation or other advice, although the Issuer may not necessarily follow our municipal/financial advisor’s advice and may also rely on representations, if any, made by financial services firms in proposals or otherwise.

By posting this letter on our website and/or Texas MAC’s website, the Issuer intends that market participants may use and rely on this letter for purposes of qualifying for the so-called IRMA exemption afforded by SEC Rule 15Ba1-1(d)(3)(vi) until the Issuer removes the letter from, or replaces it with an updated or correcting letter posted at, the same page on our website (if this letter is posted there) and Texas MAC’s internet site (if this letter is uploaded by us to that site).

Financial services firms that wish to learn the identity of individuals at our municipal/financial advisor who will participate in advising the Issuer (so that they may determine whether our municipal/financial advisor is independent) should contact Mr. James S. Sabonis, Senior Vice President, First Southwest Company, 325 North St. Paul Street, Suite 800, Dallas, Texas 75201. A copy of written representations to us regarding the exemption may also be sent to our municipal/financial advisor at the same address.

Sincerely,



Darrell Cockerham

Hood County Judge