



March 19, 2020

The Honorable Glenn Hegar
Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
111 East 17th Street
Austin, Texas 78774

RE: Sales Tax Penalty and Interest Waiver for Sales Taxes Due March 20, 2020

Comptroller Hegar,

Thank you for your tireless efforts to help our state in these unprecedented times. Texans and Texas businesses are under strain like never before. Government health and safety precautions mandate that restaurants, stores, service establishments, and certain other places of business close to prevent the spread of the Wuhan Coronavirus (COVID-19). Extreme economic hardship caused by lack of revenues due to virus-related declines in sales and closures challenge Texas businesses—especially small businesses—in unparalleled ways.

In light of this severe adversity, we request that your department waive all penalties and interest for monthly sales taxes due tomorrow, March 20, 2020 for sales taxes not paid on time. This waiver will help keep many Texas businesses' doors open, protect jobs, and keep our state from even greater economic damage.

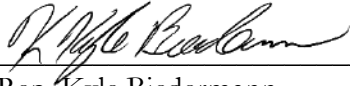
Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Rep. Mayes Middleton
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Chairman, Texas Freedom Caucus

Rep. Matt Schaefer
House District 6
Vice-Chairman

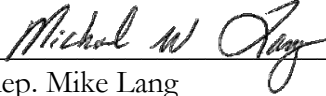
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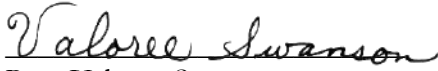
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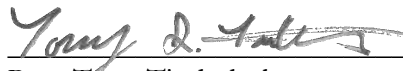
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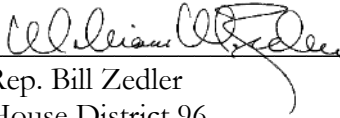
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