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Desiree Loggins
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Dear Ms. Loggins,

The City of Houston Parks and Recreation Department (HPARD) is pleased to submit this application to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department and Audubon Texas for recognition as Bird City Texas. The City of Houston is proud to join in the collective efforts with local, federal, and state governments, non-profits, and private citizens within the Houston area to support bird conservation through community outreach, the preservation and restoration of native habitat, and actions that make the city a safer place for birds.

HPARD'S Natural Resources Management Program works to restore and enhance prairie and forested habitat within Houston's parks and strives to promote and support conservation of wildlife within our vast urban area. Houston's recognition as Bird City will help to encourage all city departments, along with our partners and stakeholders, to continue bird conservation efforts and will provide goals for reaching even greater improvements in actions to engage the community, improve green infrastructure, and provide safe habitats for birds.

Sincerely,



Stephen Wright
Director
Parks and Recreation Department