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May 15, 2013

The Honorable Ed Emmett
County Judge
Harris County
1001 Preston St., Suite 800
Houston, Texas 77002-1817

Dear Judge Emmett:

I am pleased to inform you that Harris County has earned a 2013 Gold Leadership Circle Award. Your application scored 20 points of 20 possible on our ratings criteria to earn this award.

Your listing on our "Texas Transparency" website now displays the Gold seal to indicate that you have received this award. Enclosed is your copy of a Leadership Circle Award Certificate. You will also receive a digital seal that you may post on your website.

Congratulations on your success in moving forward on financial transparency and joining our Leadership Circle.

Sincerely,

Susan Combs

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Enclosure

Texas Comptroller Leadership Circle Gold Member

awarded to

Harris County

For setting the bar for financial transparency and opening your books to the public.

The Texas Comptroller's Leadership Circle program recognizes local governments across Texas that are striving to meet a high financial transparency online. By providing citizens with a clear, consistent picture of spending and sharing information in a user-friendly format, you are setting a strong example for other governmental entities to follow.

May 6, 2013

Susan Combs