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San Antonio Mayor and City Council Sent via email

Mayor Nirenberg, Council Members, and Staff,

Thank you for all that you do to improve the quality of life for all the people of San Antonio and for the City of San Antonio's leadership on Vision Zero.

I am writing today to support the proposal for your FY2019 budget to create a new position and fund a Pedestrian Mobility Officer to work toward all the people of San Antonio enjoying the freedom of safe access to all that the city has to offer by foot or wheelchair.

Farm&City is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit think and do tank that is dedicated to high qualty urban and rural human habitat in Texas in perpetuity. Through our work on Vision Zero Texas and One Thousand Texans for Transit project, we have been excited to collaborate with the people and City of San Antonio to improve access by transit and end the Texas epidemic of traffic deaths.

All Texas cities have a long way to go and a lot of hard work to do to build and retrofit the pedestrian infrastructure that is the true backbone of our communities. Every child in Texas deserves a walkable neighborhood and the ability to be a reckless child on streets designed for them. We are all pedestrians and we will all be better off if we design and fund our cities to give more freedom to the eight-year-olds and the eighty-year-olds.

With these thoughts in mind, I hope that you will move forward with prioritizing the pedestrian realm and funding this position in this year's budget.

Thanks again for your service to the people of San Antonio and for San Antonio's leadership in moving the state forward faster toward our safe, multimodal future.

Sincerely,

Jay Blazek Crossley Executive Director