



March 11, 2021

The Honorable Gov. Greg Abbott
PO Box 12428
Austin, TX 78711

Re: COVID19 Vaccine Distribution in Dallas County

Dear Governor Abbott:

Thank you for your efforts in addressing the many challenges arising from the COVID19 pandemic, including efforts to increase vaccine distribution to the state. We were pleased to see the update from Texas Department of Health that more than 1 million doses of the vaccine are being shipped across Texas this week, including the new supply of the single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

As leaders in the Dallas business community, we write regarding the distribution of vaccines in Dallas County and the surrounding areas. To date, Dallas County residents have been vaccinated at a lower rate than other areas of Texas, despite our Dallas County and City of Dallas officials advising that we have the capacity to vaccinate more people. We appreciate any assistance you can provide in allocating more vaccines to Dallas County and the surrounding areas. Many businesses headquartered here have been challenged economically due to the pandemic, and we are ready to see these businesses thrive again. However, without an equitable vaccine distribution to this area, the economic recovery will be delayed.

Thank you for your consideration. We know decisions about allocation of vaccines are not easy, but hopeful that you will increase vaccine allocations to Dallas County to meet the capacity our local officials have advised we can fulfill.

Sincerely,

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