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Legislation Text

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To: Harris County Commissioners Court

Through: Barbie Robinson, Executive Director, Public Health Services **Prepared By:** Michael Schaffer, Director, Environmental Public Health

Subject: Designation of Certifying Officer for the Lead Hazard Reduction Program, TXLHB0708-18

Project ID (If applicable]: 1000000264 and 10000100000956

Purpose and Request:

Request for authorization for Harris County Public Health (HCPH) to designate Barbie Robinson, MPP, JD, CHC, Executive Director of HCPH, in place of Gwen J. Sims, MEd, RD, LD, Interim Executive Director of HCPH, as the Certifying Officer for the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) related environmental documents pertaining to the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) Lead Hazard Reduction Program, TXLHB0708-18.

Background and Discussion:

The Housing and Urban Development Grant (HUD) Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) and the Community Services Department (CSD) Program's primary objective is the development of viable urban communities by providing the following, principally for persons of low and moderate income: lead-safe and healthy housing; a suitable living environment; and expanded economic opportunities. The funds can be used for qualifying activities including acquisition, construction and social services.

The HUD lead-based paint reduction program requires compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of the law designated in 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the Harris County Public Health.

Fiscal Impact:

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Alternatives:

None. This process is required by the Harris County Auditor's Office prior to receiving an award.

Alignment with Strategic Objective:

This program aligns with the following strategic objectives:

- 1. To Facilitate partnership-building opportunities across multi-sector stakeholders, encouraging partners in health and non-health sectors to identify and implement innovative solutions that promote and protect the public's health.
- 2. Enhance HCPHES capacity to conduct local surveillance and assessment activities in order to monitor health and environmental conditions with an emphasis on the priority public health issues.

Attachments:

Court Letter Court Order Loan Agreements