

CIVIC ADVOCACY LETTER

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Houston City Council Members

Houston City Council · 901 Bagby St, Houston, TX 77002

LETTER TO CITY COUNCIL



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RE: Preserve Community Media Access — Support Houston Media Source

Dear Council Member,

I am reaching out to request your support in preserving Houston Media Source as a public access media institution for our community. HMS has provided Houston residents with a platform for expression, education, and civic participation for more than 40 years. It has launched careers, broadcast community meetings, given voice to neighborhoods that would otherwise go unheard, and trained generations of Houston media professionals.

The decisions before this Council regarding HMS represent a defining moment. Will Houston stand with its community media institutions, or allow this irreplaceable civic resource to be permanently silenced? This is not a question of budgets — it is a question of values. I believe this Council has the vision and the commitment to choose Houston's community over short-term institutional convenience.

I am one of thousands of petition signers from across Houston — from Third Ward to the Heights, from Sunnyside to Spring Branch — who are watching this process and counting on our elected representatives to protect what generations before us built. I urge you to vote in favor of HMS's continued operation, accessibility, and independence.

Respectfully,

Full Legal Name

Address & ZIP Code

Phone or Email

Signature

Date

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www.hmstv.org/communitypetition