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Texarkana, Texas City Council 220 Texas Blvd. Texarkana, Texas 75501

Re:

Letter of Interest for vacant Ward 5 position

Dear Mayor Bruggeman and Council:

This letter will serve as a reflection of my desire and intention to seek the Ward 5 Council position. I have lived in Ward 5 since 1989 and have previously represented a large section of Ward 5 during my two terms as a member of the Pleasant Grove ISD Board of Trustees. As a Trustee, I had the opportunity to publically and privately address concerns of the students, parents and taxpayers of the District. Sometimes it simply required putting them in contact with the right person and sometimes it required action of the entire Board to address an issue after the chain of command had been exhausted. While I may not always agree with someone's position, I believe it is important that they have an opportunity to express it.

I enjoy helping people work through issues and accomplish their goals. If selected, I will devote the time necessary to not only address matters presented to the Council as a body but also address the individual issues or concerns raised by my constituents.

Sincerely,

John L. Tidwell

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