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To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Coastal Bend Bays Foundation, I am pleased to provide this letter of support for the Restore Little Bay Foundation and its ongoing grant initiatives to address critical environmental and infrastructure challenges impacting Little Bay and the greater Rockport region.

For more than three decades, Coastal Bend Bays Foundation has worked to protect and preserve the natural resources of the Texas Coastal Bend through science-based education, collaborative partnerships, and community engagement. We recognize the importance of proactive regional solutions that sustain both ecological health and economic vitality along our coast.

Little Bay faces a convergence of significant environmental pressures, including the lingering impacts of Hurricane Harvey, rapid regional growth, restricted tidal circulation caused by development, and increasing stress associated with aging wastewater infrastructure. These issues threaten water quality, marine habitat, tourism, fisheries, property values, and the long-term resilience of the surrounding communities.

We support the Restore Little Bay Foundation's comprehensive and collaborative approach to improving circulation, restoring habitat, and advancing long-term water sustainability strategies. Their efforts to construct an additional inlet to reduce water discharge retention times represent a meaningful step toward restoring ecological balance within Little Bay. We are also encouraged by the Foundation's partnerships with local public entities, the Navigation District, and anticipated coordination with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to restore Harvey-silted channels and improve hydrologic function throughout the system.

Additionally, the Foundation's vision for future phases—including stormwater rerouting, potable reuse strategies, and advanced water treatment technologies—demonstrates forward-thinking leadership that will benefit both environmental health and regional water security for generations to come.

Coastal Bend Bays Foundation supports these funding requests and encourages favorable consideration of their proposals.

Sincerely,

Della Meadows

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Executive Director