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October 10, 2012

The Honorable Joe Adame
City of Corpus Christi
PO Box 9277
Corpus Christi, TX 78469

Dear Mayor Adame,

Thank you for your continued participation the Texas Certified Local Government Program. The CLG Program is a partnership between your local government, the Texas Historical Commission and the National Park Service designed to foster historic preservation in your community. Your participation helps ensure the success of historic preservation efforts in communities across Texas. In addition, CLGs have access to dedicated grant funds for historic preservation projects in the community.

In 2011, the Texas CLG Program adopted revised state rules for the program. The new rules eliminated redundant language and incorporated recent changes instituted by the National Park Service. The National Park Service requires new Certification Agreements for all CLGs upon adoption of new rules. To satisfy this requirement, two copies of the new Certification Agreement, along with a copy of the revised state rules, are included for your signature. Please sign both copies and return them to our office no later than 45 days from the date of this letter. Following receipt of the signed copies, an original copy signed by THC Executive Director Mark Wolfe will be returned to you, along with a copy of the newly revised Texas Handbook for Certified Local Governments.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Thank you for all of your efforts to support historic preservation in Texas.

Sincerely,



Matt Synatschk
State Coordinator
Texas Certified Local Government Program



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CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION AND THE **CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI** FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

The City of Corpus Christi, in consideration of having been granted Certified Local Government status, agrees to carry out the following responsibilities as a Certified Local Government, in cooperation with the National Park Service and the Texas Historical Commission.

It will:

1. enforce the local historic preservation ordinance for the designation and protection of local historic properties;
2. establish and maintain by the local preservation ordinance a qualified review commission, board or committee for historic preservation having specific powers, such as review responsibility pertaining to proposed National Register nominations as well as actions that will affect local historic properties;
3. designate a city official, staff person or other appropriate resident of the municipal entity to serve as a local Historic Preservation Officer for the purpose of administering the local preservation ordinance;
4. provide appropriate training for historic preservation officer, related city staff and members of the historic preservation commission;
5. maintain a system for the survey and inventory of local historic properties that is coordinated with the statewide cultural-resource-survey-process, with technical assistance provided by the National Register Program office of the Texas Historical Commission's History Programs Division;
6. ensure, to the maximum extent possible, public participation in the local historic preservation program, including the process of nominating properties to the National Register of Historic Places;
7. adopt the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation as the standards by which the local review commission will review all work applications brought before it under the terms of the local historic preservation ordinance;
8. review and comment upon nominations to the National Register of Historic Places for properties within its jurisdiction within 60 days of receiving the nominations from the National Register Program office of the Texas Historical Commission, and submit the city commission's reports and the recommendations of the chief elected official of the city to the National Register Program office as to whether or not the nominated properties meet the criteria of the National Register;

9. assist the National Register Program office of the Texas Historical Commission, if necessary, in verifying the names and addresses of property owners within local historic districts being nominated to the National Register, and assist with arrangements for local public information meetings at mutually agreeable times and locations when such districts are nominated;
10. submit to the State Historic Preservation Officer by the end of each calendar year an annual report that describes the actions of the local review commission, board or committee and other preservation-related activities of the previous fiscal year (October 1st through September 30th);
11. monitor and report to the Texas Historical Commission any actions affecting any county courthouse, Recorded Texas Historic Landmark, State Archeological Landmark, National Register property, and any locally designated landmark;
12. coordinate local historic preservation efforts, to the extent practicable, with the Texas Historical Commission, which shall provide technical assistance, guidance, and information to the Certified Local Government as feasible upon request;
13. carry out the general program procedures as outlined in the Texas Administrative Code, Title 13 Cultural Resources, Part 2 Texas Historical Commission, Chapter 15 Administration of Federal Programs, Rule 15.6 Rules and Procedures for Certified Local Governments; and
14. assist the Texas Historical Commission in any duties and powers assigned to the State Historic Preservation Office by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 as amended, and other federal enabling legislation.

 Signature: Mayor (or chief elected official)
 City of Corpus Christi

 Date

 Printed Name

 Mark Wolfe, State Historic Preservation Officer

 Date

