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Dear Mayors Kirk, Miller, and Leppert:

Thank you for your continued leadership in Dallas. The Dallas Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA Dallas) is proud to join you in support of the 2017 bond campaign. The overall bond package represents a significant investment in our city's infrastructure, cultural heritage, economic prosperity, and quality of life. AIA Dallas endorses the "Perfect 10 for Big D" campaign and looks forward to working with you, city staff, and civic leaders as the funded projects are implemented.

In particular, AIA Dallas is proud to support Proposition C – providing essential resources for the preservation and maintenance of Fair Park. The architecture community in Dallas knows well the value to our city of institutions like the Hall of State, the African–American Museum, Aquarium Annex, Texas Discovery Gardens, Music Hall, Tower Building, Coliseum, Centennial Building, Food and Fiber Building, Pan American Complex and Magnolia Lounge. These institutions and their respective buildings are cornerstones of Dallas, enhance quality of life, and contribute substantially to our own identity as a community. We recognize that funding for repairs and restoration is essential to the long-term preservation of these buildings and, in some cases, to their priceless and irreplaceable contents.

Again, thank you for leading the efforts in support of the 2017 bond campaign. AIA Dallas endorses all 10 bond propositions, and supports this critical investment in our city's future.

Sincerely,

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