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Ms Diane Atkinson
Ark-Tex Council of Governments
Texarkana, Texas

Via fax 903-832-2672

RE: Downtown Texarkana Land Reuse

Dear Ms Atkinson:

Thank you and those with whom you are working for assessing and evaluating existing buildings in downtown Texarkana to determine the feasibility of restoring and using them. The valuable and unique assets in the downtown area are all too often overlooked in the quest for quick economic gratification we as a society get from new slabs of prefab erected around new growth corridors that, together, make up "Generica." How rich we are to have these historic character-filled buildings you and your group are working to preserve and use!

While my name cannot be used for fund-raising purposes, because of ethical rules restricting those that hold my office, I offer my support as a member of the community.

Sincerely,



Josh R. Morriss, III