

Houston City Council Member At-Large, Position 5

April 3, 2024

The Honorable Congressman Wesley Hunt Texas 38th Congressional District Washington Office 1520 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

RE: Letter of Support for Congressional Appropriation Proposal: SPIDR Tech Public Engagement Initiative

Dear Congressman Hunt,

I support the Houston Police Department's (HPD) proposal for the purchase of SPIDR Tech Public Engagement Initiative through FY25 Community Project Funding. This software is the first of its kind to offer community relationship management platform for law enforcement. This software will enable HPD to reduce administrative call volume and complaints by automatically sending follow-up emails and text messages to crime victims. In addition, the software will allow HPD to gain access to our own data in real time and help the department respond to victims of crimes and keep them informed of the status of the investigation into their case.

Thank you for your consideration,

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