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Early Childhood Council**



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Judge Sam Biscoe
Travis County Commissioners
Travis County Commissioners Court
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Dear Judge Biscoe:

The Early Childhood Council of the City of Austin commends you and your fellow County Commissioners for your focus on early childhood education during the budget process. We are heartened that more funds should be available to implement aspects of *The School Readiness Action Plan*, a community-wide effort to help ensure that our youngest children are on a path to success.

As you know, the *School Readiness Action Plan* promotes evidence-based strategies. This reflects the Court's concern that funds are invested in priority programs that show results.

Again, thank you for your commitment to early childhood education.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "KH", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Kyle Holder
Chair

cc: Austin City Council Members