



January 19, 2010

Dear Grant Administrator:

The Grand Prairie Wellness Center, which is located in the northeast part of Grand Prairie, is uniquely positioned to provide vital health services to our residents. This sector of our city is designated by the federal government as a medically underserved area, and the Wellness Center has been a welcome addition to this community since its inception in 2001. Their dual approach of providing health care for chronic illness and providing much needed education on disease prevention and healthy lifestyles have had a positive impact on their clientele.

The Center has widespread support across our community and is managed by a qualified and dedicated volunteer Board of Directors. The City of Grand Prairie has worked as a partner with the Wellness Center through the City's Community Development Block Grant program. Unfortunately, these limited funds are not sufficient to allow the Center to meet all of the urgent health needs within the community.

I am strongly in support of their grant applications and feel that the Center will far exceed any grant service delivery requirements.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Hart". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Tom Hart
City Manager