JOE DESHOTEL

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Dear Friends,

It has been a great honor to serve the people of Southeast Texas in various elected and appointed positions over nearly 40 years. If there is one thing that has been stated consistently through those various positions of trust is, "I hope you are training someone to take your place."

I've always thought that was important, and thus, over the past 10 years or so, knowing my retirement from the Texas House of Representatives would eventually come, my desire has been for the constituents of District 22 to have the opportunity to elect a seasoned candidate.

Christian Manual serves as my Chief of Staff, and trusted advisor, and although Southeast Texas is losing seniority, we don't have to lose the legislative experience, the inter Capitol relationships, and our deep roots in the community that make our office effective. Christian is well known throughout the Texas House as an organizer, leader, and legislative strategist. He is ready and able to pick up where I left off.

Respectfully,

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