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DISTRICT 17

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The Honorable Greg Abbott Office of the Governor Texas Capitol Room 2S.1

Dear Governor Abbott:

I join many of my colleagues in respectfully requesting your consideration of a reprieve for Rodney Reed, and that the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles conduct a further review of Mr. Reed's case.

The murder for which Mr. Reed is charged occurred in my district, and I have made it a priority to be well informed on the matter before forming my opinion. It is not customary for me to comment on judicial cases, but the details surrounding this case have become undeniably questionable.

As you are aware, Mr. Reed is set for execution on November 20, 2019. I am not in a position to judge Mr. Reed's innocence or guilt; however, I do feel compelled to speak on behalf of justice and the rights of all our citizens who stand accused to have the evidence against them presented and weighed with fair consideration. Granting a reprieve will allow the justice system an opportunity to consider this case and new developments in totality, and bring the questions that currently surround it to fair resolution in accordance with a high standard of justice.

I know that you do not take this lightly, and I am confident you will consider all aspects fairly before making a decision. Thank you for your time and attention to this important issue.

Respectfully,

John P. Cyrier

State Representative

District 17