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Dear Agency Heads:

We received your letters dated April 28, 2022, requesting to transfer General Revenue funds—as detailed below—to the Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor Strategy A.1.1., Disaster Funds. These transfers are meant to support the deployment of the National Guard with $465.3 million and to support border operations in other state agencies with $30 million. We understand the Fiscal Years 2020-2021 appropriations would otherwise lapse and be unavailable to your agencies and that the Fiscal Year 2022 appropriations have been fully funded with other sources. Thus this transfer will not affect any agency or program function. Pursuant to Article IX, Sec. 14.04 (d), Disaster Related Transfer Authority, House Bill No. 1, General Appropriations Act, 86th Legislature, Regular Session 2019; and Article IX, Sec. 14.04 (d), Disaster Related Transfer Authority, Senate Bill No. 1, General Appropriations Act, 87th Legislature, Regular Session 2021, we approve this request. This approval will take effect immediately.
TDCJ – $53,638,375 in Fiscal Year 2022
DPS – $159,249,421 in Fiscal Years 2020-2021 and 2022
HHSC – $117,347,952 in Fiscal Year 2021 and $93,382,076 in Fiscal Year 2022
DSHS – $18,069,712 in Fiscal Years 2020-2021 and $18,062,843 in Fiscal Year 2022
TABC – $4,325,581 in Fiscal Year 2022
TJJD – $24,473,662 in Fiscal Years 2020-2021 and $6,751,698 in Fiscal Year 2022

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Governor Greg Abbott
Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick
Speaker Dade Phelan

Senator Joan Huffman
Representative Greg Bonnen

cc: The Honorable Glenn Hegar