



**TENNELL ATKINS**  
Councilman - District 8

December 4, 2009

Mr. Robert Kruzka  
Deputy Chief, Service Center Operations  
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services  
20 Massachusetts Avenue N.W.  
Washington, DC 20529

RE: North Texas Regional Center Application

Dear Mr. Kruzka,

As a Councilmember for the City of Dallas, I wish to endorse the designation of North Texas Regional Center ("NTRC") as an EB-5 regional center. NTRC, proposed by North Texas EB-5 Regional Center, LLC ("Applicant"), involves the development of numerous mixed-use commercial projects that will provide economic stimulus by creating jobs as well as increased opportunities for a wide range of consumer activity in the City of Dallas.

The projects that Applicant will develop within NTRC will create exposure and accessibility that will attract a healthy flow of commercial traffic. These projects will encompass hospitality, entertainment, office, retail, dining, and residential operations aimed at growing the economy of the City of Dallas across diverse industries. This multifaceted approach to commercial development will benefit residents of City of Dallas, by enabling balance and longevity in economic growth. It will also draw in investment capital from various sources without limiting prospective investors to a particular industry.

NTRC will bring new businesses, jobs, and capital into City of Dallas. Moreover, the establishments resulting from NTRC's development activities will energize residents and improve their communities by increasing consumer choices and regional productivity. All of these things are much needed in the City of Dallas.

For these reasons, I submit this letter of support on behalf of the residents of District 8 in the City of Dallas.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tennell Atkins', written over a circular blue ink stamp.

Tennell Atkins, Councilmember