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Honorable City Council Members The City of Mount Vernon Mount Vernon, New York (Through the Office of the Mayor)

Re: Request for Qualifications (RFQ) - Design and Construction Inspection Services for the City Owned Bridge Rehabilitation [South Fulton Avenue Bridge (BIN 2225220) - Constructed 1912]

Dear Honorable City Council Members,

- **1. PURPOSE**. This memo is to impart a selection/determination by Public Works regarding the Design and Construction Inspection bid for the South Fulton Avenue Bridge.
- **2. BACKGROUND.** The South Fulton Avenue Bridge was constructed in 1912 in support of Rail Operations of the "New York, Westchester, Boston Railway (1912-1937). It has accepted significant effort from the C.M.V.D.P.W since 2010 with ongoing Heavy Timber Bracing (vertical), in order to assist the corrosion of the columns, which was annually inspected by N.Y.S.D.O.T. We were then awarded 4.9million USD via the *Bridge NY* Program.
- **3. ANALYSIS.** Our decision was based on several key factors, which will be subject to verification by N.Y.S.D.O.T. during the *Bridge NY* Process, as follows: (1) understanding of work to be done; (2) experience with similar projects as relatable to our needs of the instant matter; (3) quality of proposed staff; (4) familiarity with state and federal requirements; (5) organization and financial responsibility; and (6) logistics posture regarding familiarity with the area.
- **4. SELECTION**. When placing the technical proposals in juxtaposition with each other as well as our analytical criterion, the Department of Public Works has identified <u>HVEA Engineers</u> as the most qualified firm to meet the needs of the City of Mount Vernon's upcoming project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully

Damani L. Bush

Commissioner of Public Works

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