

GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

October 26, 2015

Ms. Mary Ruyle maryr@texasthoroughbred.com

Dear Ms. Ruyle:

Thank you for contacting the Office of the Governor to share your support for full funding for the Texas Racing Commission (TRC). We have shared your letter with the governor's advisors to ensure your perspective is taken into account.

However, as you may know, TRC has applied with the Legislative Budget Board (LBB) for additional funding. At this time, the decision on whether to allow TRC to receive funding beyond the temporary 90-day agreement lies with the LBB. As such, your organization may wish to contact members of the LBB.

In the meantime, our office is considering potential appointees for TRC's three expired terms.

Please let us know if we can assist you in the future.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Director

Constituent Communication Division

Office of the Governor

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