Dear Organizational Leader,

Community improvement and homeowner associations invite your organization to join them in gaining a stronger voice with the City of Houston about issues important to our area through the formation of Super Neighborhood 31 (SN31). A Super Neighborhood is formally recognized by the city and provides direct access to city leaders to address important issues and concerns such as flooding, infrastructure and more. This letter provides the information you need to know about Super Neighborhoods and how to participate in the formation of SN31.

The first step of this process is for you or your representative to attend the Super Neighborhood Planning Meeting on:

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 | 7:00 PM | MERFISH TEEN CENTER | 9000 S. RICE AVE.

#### What are the boundaries of SN31?

Bob White south of Brays Bayou, Hillcroft north of Brays Bayou on the west; Willowbend on the south; I-610 to Brays Bayou, Brays Bayou to the railroad tracks on the east; city of Bellaire to the north. See map on page 2.

## What is a Super Neighborhood (SN)?

A super neighborhood is an official city entity that encourages neighboring communities to work together to identify, prioritize, and address common needs and concerns. Stakeholders include homeowner associations, civic organizations, institutions (e.g., schools, faith communities), and businesses. The super neighborhood elects a council that represents area residents and other stakeholders and serves as a forum to discuss issues and identify and implement priority projects for the area. The city has designated 88 super neighborhoods.

# What neighborhood associations are located within SN31?

The following homeowner associations within the boundaries of SN31 have participated in early discussions:

Braesmont Civic Marilyn Estates Association

Barkley Circle Civic Meyercrest
Barkley Square Civic Meyerland CIA
Maplewood Civic Shadowcrest

Maplewood S/N CIA

#### Why is this important to you?

Top reasons to become a super neighborhood:

- 1. Become an officially recognized City of Houston entity for better representation and a louder voice
- 2. Connect neighborhoods with common issues and interests so we can share knowledge and resources to develop solutions (e.g., capital planning, development, flood mitigation, etc.)
- 3. Stay up-to-date about city projects within Super Neighborhood boundaries
- 4. Facilitate direct and one-on-one communication with city officials at monthly meetings
- 5. Become a member of the larger group of super neighborhoods the Super Neighborhood Alliance (SNA)

#### What does it cost?

This is a cost-free program with the City of Houston Department of Neighborhoods.

#### How can I get involved?

You may participate by attending the planning meeting on Wednesday, March 1 at 7:00 PM at the The Merfish Teen Center located at 9000 S. Rice Avenue.

If you would like to participate, RSVP by February 28 at <u>greatermeyerland.com/superneighborhood</u>. In addition, you may obtain more information and updates on this web page.

# **Map of SN31**



Source: City of Houston GIS Database, Harris County Appraisal District, April 2014

Thank you for your time and consideration. The formation of this group is vital to the positive growth and success of this region of Houston. By banding together we can attain greater City of Houston attention to and support for the collective needs of our communities.

Sincerely,

Super Neighborhood 31 Planning Committee info@greatermeyerland.com