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Commissioners Court Johnson County Cleburne, Texas 76033

Dear Judge and Commissioners:

I would like to request that the Commissioners Court consider a travel request allowing the "super-users" of our Innoprise financial software to attend the annual conference. This would consist of 6 or 7 staff members of the County Judge, County Treasurer, Information Technology, Purchasing and County Auditor Offices. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Innoprise Conference is to be held in Blackhawk, Colorado, July 18-19, 2013. The approximate cost per employee will be about \$750. This includes two nights stay.

It is understood that out-of-state travel is generally not allowed but this event has some unique importance as we just recently implemented the software, making the event to be "fertile ground" for a learning experience. Again, since the product is so new to us, the interaction with other customers will have more benefit now than at any other time in the future. This will put our group on a steeper learning curve and help enable us to persuade the developers to include software enhancements that are important and specific to our needs.

Even though the Innoprise software has allowed us to streamline our procedures by incorporating all offices in administration of our financial responsibilities, we want to ensure that we are getting the most from the product, benefiting Johnson County to the highest level possible.

I and the staff would greatly appreciate your consideration.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Kirk Kirkpatrick