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February 26, 2026

**Members of the Board
Huntsville Independent School District
441 FM 2821 East
Huntsville, TX 77320**

Subject: Application for Historic Site Property for 2026

In accordance with the requirements of section 11.24 of the Tax Code of the State of Texas that requires that we obtain an annual waiver of local property taxes for this Historic site, we are requesting that you waive the Walker County property tax for the year 2026 for our property located at 18 Williams Road, Huntsville, Tx.

In 2024 Sam Houston States engineering department finalized the slab design for the facility to be constructed at 18 Williams Road. The plans were submitted to the Cultural Center Board of Directors for review and approval. The board voted to accept the design package and to proceed to the next phase of the project, to seek bids. We've had preliminary discussions with several builders on determining construction Costs.

Due to the competitiveness among organizations seeking grants, and the limited funds available for grants, we haven't been successful in our efforts to obtain a grant. Presently our organization continues to search for funding whether through the grant process, the business community, or donors. We've introduced several new programs at the center to broaden the scope for construction funding.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me (936) 295-2119. The Cultural Center Board appreciates your favorable consideration.

**Richard Harrison
President Board of Directors
Samuel Walker Houston Museum & Cultural Center**

Application for Historic or Archeological Site Property Tax Exemption

Walker County Hospital District

936-295-0402

Appraisal District's Name

Phone (area code and number)

1411 11th St. P.O. Box 1267 77342 Huntsville, Tx 77340

Address, City, State, ZIP Code

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS: This application is for use in claiming a property tax exemptions pursuant to Tax Code Section 11.24.

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: You must furnish all information and documentation required by this application so that the chief appraiser is able to determine whether the statutory qualifications for the exemption have been met. This document and all supporting documentation must be filed with the appraisal district office in each county in which the property is located. Do not file this document with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. A directory with contact information for appraisal district offices may be found on the Comptroller's website.

APPLICATION DEADLINES: You must file the completed application with all required documentation beginning Jan. 1 and no later than April 30 of the year for which you are requesting an exemption.

ANNUAL APPLICATION REQUIRED: You must apply for this exemption each year you claim entitlement to the exemption.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Pursuant to Tax Code Section 11.45, after considering this application and all relevant information, the chief appraiser may request additional information from you. You must provide the additional information within 30 days of the request or the application is denied. For good cause shown, the chief appraiser may extend the deadline for furnishing the additional information by written order for a single period not to exceed 15 days.

State the tax year for which you are applying for this exemption.

2026

Tax Year

STEP 1: Property Owner/Applicant

Samuel Walker Houston Museum & Cultural Center

Name of Property Owner

P.O. BOX 1600

Mailing Address

Huntsville Tx 77342-1600

City, State, ZIP Code

936-295-2119

Phone (area code and number)

Property Owner is a(n) (check one):

Individual Partnership Corporation Other (specify):

Richard Harrison

President Board Of Directors

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Name of Person Preparing this Application

Title

Driver's License, Personal I.D. Certificate or Social Security Number*

If this application is for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of property owned by a charitable organization with a federal tax identification number, that number may be provided in lieu of a driver's license number, personal identification certificate number or social security number:

Tax ID # 073-1720777

* Unless the applicant is a charitable organization with a federal identification number, the applicant's driver's license number, personal identification certificate number or social security number is required. Pursuant to Tax Code Section 11.48(a), a driver's license, personal I.D. certificate or social security number provided in an application for an exemption filed with a chief appraiser is confidential and not open to public inspection. The information may not be disclosed to anyone other than an employee of the appraisal office who appraises property, except as authorized by Tax Code Section 11.48(b).

STEP 2: Property Information

Describe the property for which you are seeking this exemption.

24-26 Williams Road, Huntsville, Tx 77320

Address, City, State, ZIP Code

A tract of land containing 23.31 acres being situated in the J Randolph Survey Abstract 52180

Legal Description (if known)

Appraisal District Account Number (if known)

STEP 3: Taxing Units that have Granted an Exemption

List the taxing units that have granted an exemption pursuant to Tax Code Section 11.24. For each taxing unit identified, attach copies of documents reflecting official action of the governing body that provides for an exemption.

Huntsville Independent School District

Walker County Commissioner's Court

Walker County Hospital District

STEP 4: Official Historical and Archeological Designations

1. Has the property been designated as a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark under Government Code Chapter 442 or as a state archeological landmark under Natural Resources Code Chapter 191 by the Texas Historical Commission? Yes No

If yes, attach copies of documents reflecting designation.

2. Has the property been designated as a historically or archeologically significant site in need of tax relief to encourage its preservation pursuant to an ordinance or other law adopted by the governing body of the unit? Yes No

If yes, attach copies of documents reflecting designation.

STEP 5 Read, Sign and Date

By signing this application, you certify that the information provided in this application is true and correct.

print here

Richard Harrison

Print Name

President of The Board Of Directors

Title

sign here

Richard Harrison

Authorized Signature

February 26, 2026

Date

If you make a false statement on this application, you could be found guilty of a Class A misdemeanor or a state jail felony under Penal Code Section 37.10.