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To Whom It May Concern:

The city of Grand Prairie was pleased to work with Johnston Products recently during the construction and installation of a work of art, the *Willow Tree*, in our Central Park.

Their dedication, attention to detail and concern for our satisfaction resulted in a truly magnificent work of art. The team not only worked with the artist, but also with our contractor and with city representatives to achieve a balance of approval all around.



The tree was intricate to make and install. Johnston had to make spontaneous decisions daily to accommodate the art and the safety of the installers and future of the art piece. Their work was fluid with solutions at the ready. They documented the process photographically throughout then generously shared that photographic archive with the city.

Their extreme craftsmanship created an amazing 30-foot tall and 40-foot wide sculpture of eight tons of steel and 80,000 black mother of pearl leaves standing in a lake by the city's new active adult center, The Summit, in its new Central Park. Patrons love the tree, gazing at it as they walk the Boardwalk, and socialize at The Summit.

We can highly recommend Johnston Products for awards and future jobs based on our positive experience with the company and its people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tom Cox".

Tom Cox
Deputy City Manager