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Among Support from Local Activists, Including Leaders at Quadvest L.P., Governor Greg Abbot Signs House Bill 1982 Into Law

THE WOODLANDS, Texas—In a move that will now allow members of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District (LSGCD) board of directors to be elected rather than appointed, Governor Greg Abbot signed House Bill 1982 into law on Thursday, May 18. The law will go into effect September 1, 2017. With support from the community including lobbying efforts from Quadvest L.P., the law will ensure that the needs of the citizens of Montgomery County are fairly represented.

With passage of the law, the LSGCD board of directors will now be elected with the board shrinking from nine members to seven. New term limits of four years will also be enforced. The law will help to protect the community from special interest groups seeking to raise the price of water to benefit vendors. Along with local legislators, Quadvest President Simon Sequeira has actively lobbied for passage of the bill.

"We applaud the efforts of our lawmakers and citizens in supporting this bill," Sequeira said. "Allowing water users to be an active part of the process is an important step in the right direction, and will give Montgomery County citizens the power to determine the fate of issues that affect their lives each day."

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Quadvest Water and Sewer Utility *has been a Montgomery staple for nearly 40 years. Founded by Gary Sequeira and his father-in-law, Odell Vaught, the company is an independently owned utility providing service to more than 50 communities. Gary Sequeira is an avid second-generation Houstonian. Of his five children and 12 grandchildren, three children currently work at Quadvest continuing the heritage of family owned commitment and pride. His son, Simon Sequeira is the current President of Quadvest.*