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Dear Team Samiam,

On behalf of the City of Austin's Office of Innovation, Dell Medical School, and the Mayors Challenge Team, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your time this past weekend serving as a developer for the Mayors Blockchain Challenge. We had a very successful weekend testing and evaluating potential blockchain solutions thanks to the wide array of expertise present, including yours. Thank you for being with us and providing your unique perspective.

We especially appreciate your effort to "hack it forward". Our team valued how you took the stance of disproving the need for blockchain and emerged as a control for the weekend hackathon. We also found your proof of the need for blockchain invaluable as evidence for the final Bloomberg application.

Because of you, our community was also able to develop the evidence that we needed to prove the desirability and viability that a blockchain platform can help our neighbors experiencing homelessness store, validate, secure, package, and access documents that unlock access to social and health services that are especially vital to ending their homelessness.

As we continue to develop this solution for the Bloomberg Philanthropies' Mayors Challenge final grant application, we will continue to need development support. The Mayors Challenge Team will be in touch in the near future with next steps.

Thank you again for your time and interest in the Mayors Blockchain Challenge. We look forward to working with you as an expert community partner throughout the development of this project.

Sincerely,

Steve Adler
Mayor