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"In every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks." – John Muir



Dear Friend,

This year reaffirmed to some and revealed to many others an awareness of how important nature is to our day to day wellbeing. People across communities are enjoying the outdoors and engaging in conversations about what they see through their windows or binoculars. Perhaps recently you've discovered a new outdoor place to retreat to or re-visited a favorite prairie, park, or pond. Whether it's a fond memory from childhood, introducing the next generation to a favorite outdoor place, bird, or animal, or simply spending time alone or with loved ones, nature helps us connect, relax, and identify with the greater world around us.

Houston Audubon strives to preserve nature and restore avian ecosystems at the community and landscape level to help ensure the benefits of a healthy environment are available to you, the birds, and future generations. We achieve this goal through our 17 nature sanctuaries, education programs, and advocacy throughout the Houston-Gulf Coast Region. [With your help, we can continue to offer nature-based experiences, protect and restore nature-rich green spaces, and create safer places for birds through community engagement, habitat enhancement, and land protection.](#)

Houston Audubon is committed to working every day to accomplish this mission. We are empowering avian enthusiasts and conservation advocates through our inspiring education programs. We are increasing equitable access to the world of birds and nature-based experiences in urban areas and are discovering new ways of doing this through virtual platforms. And as we expand, monitor, improve and manage the 3,474 acres of permanently protected piney wood forest, wetlands, coastal prairie and coastal woodlots, the foundation of our work is made stronger.

Today, we ask you to commit to helping us do more to protect our sanctuaries for over 300 species of birds that depend on our region being safe and healthy to survive. Commit to helping us provide more opportunities for everyone to connect with nature by supporting our work to maintain and enhance habitat and public access within our sanctuaries. And commit to helping us continue to inspire children and students through our unique nature-based education programming delivered in person and virtually.

There is no more important time than now to reaffirm your commitment to Houston Audubon. All of our important work is made possible through your support. [Please consider giving to our annual fund today, and to learn more about our regional impact, read our 2019-2020 annual report found at \[www.houstonaudubon.org/AnnualReport\]\(http://www.houstonaudubon.org/AnnualReport\).](#)

Sincerely,

Executive Director

P.S. Consider making a monthly recurring gift today and support Houston Audubon all year long!