

RESOLUTION

**IN HONOR OF
THE MCALLEN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

WHEREAS, the McAllen Independent School District Board of Trustees has received the state's highest honor for a Board of Trustees, being named the "2012 Outstanding Board of the Year" at the Texas Association of School Administrators/Texas Association of School Boards State Convention; and

WHEREAS, in receiving this award, McAllen ISD advanced through three levels of state competition, first winning the title of "2012 Region One School Board of the Year", then "2012 Honor School Board of Texas", one of only five in the state, and concluding with being selected first among the more than 1,000 school districts in Texas; and

WHEREAS, McAllen ISD has drawn state and national acclaim in education circles and the public arena for its efforts to introduce mobile-learning devices to every child thus transforming teaching and learning for the 21st-century learner; and

WHEREAS, the McAllen ISD Board of Trustees earned this award due to its innovative success with the TLC³ framework, which provides cutting edge technology to each student, encouraging them to embrace technology and develop 21st century skills; and

WHEREAS, embracing technology has led to McAllen ISD becoming part of the League of Innovative Schools, a nationwide consortium of just 26 school districts, with just two in Texas, identified as being at the forefront of these efforts; and selected for the Texas High Performance Schools consortium, 23 districts tasked with advising the Governor, the Education Commissioner, and the State Legislator; and

WHEREAS, the McAllen ISD Board of Trustees is composed of President Hilda Garza-DeShazo, Vice President Erica De La Garza, Secretary Debbie Crane Aliseda, Dr. Joseph Caporusso, Javier Farias, Sam Saldivar Jr., Daniel Vela, and Superintendent Dr. James Ponce; the Board of Trustees have worked hard to lead McAllen ISD towards a path of higher academic and technological achievement, transforming the educational opportunities for their students, faculty, staff, and community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court hereby recognizes and honors the McAllen Independent School District Board of Trustees for their outstanding service, dedication, and commitment to the students and citizens of Hidalgo County.

Dated this 6th day of November, 2012.

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

JOEL QUINTANILLA
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

HECTOR "TITO" PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

JOE M. FLORES
County Commissioner, Pct. 3

JOSEPH PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk