

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF CAROLINA E. MONTOYA**

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Carolina E. Montoya, a resident of the Rio Grande Valley, is being honored for achieving a milestone as she prepares to celebrate 105 years of life, residency and civic service; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Montoya was born on July 10, 1910 to her parents Doroteo and Juanita Mendoza Espinoza in Agua Dulce, Texas in Nueces County; as one of seven children; and

**WHEREAS**, at the age of six, her family moved from Auga Dulce to McAllen, Texas, where she attended school in the McAllen Independent School District; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1931, she married Nicodemus H. Montoya and settled in Mila Doce in Mercedes, Texas. They were the first pioneers in this area of Mercedes; and

**WHEREAS**, she and her husband had ten children, five boys and five girls. Mrs. Montoya dedicated her life to care for her ten children. In addition to being a housewife, Mrs. Montoya helped her husband milk cows, and raise chickens and hogs; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1965, Mrs. Montoya took over the Espinoza family gas station that was established in the 1950s in Mila Doce, selling gas, ice cream, candy, and sodas; and

**WHEREAS**, Mrs. Montoya has over 65 grandchildren, great, great-great, and even great-great-great grandchildren that she enjoys. She also enjoys gardening and crocheting and loves making tamales for Christmas and other family gatherings; and

**WHEREAS**, she has witnessed two World Wars, the Great Depression, eighteen United States Presidents and has voted in every local, state and federal election from voting age to present day; and

**WHEREAS**, a special celebration will be held in her honor on Saturday, July 11, 2015 to celebrate her 105<sup>th</sup> birthday.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby honors Carolina E. Montoya for being a good citizen, practicing civic-minded activities and recognizes her continued legacy of a life well-lived as she celebrates her 105<sup>th</sup> birthday.**

Dated this 9<sup>th</sup>, day of June 2015.

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RAMON GARCIA  
County Judge

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A.C. CUELLAR, JR.  
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

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EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU  
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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JOE M. FLORES  
County Commissioner, Pct.3

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JOSEPH PALACIOS  
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

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Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.  
County Clerk