

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 1: A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
INCREASING THE HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FROM AD VALOREM TAXATION**

WHEREAS, Texas voters will have the opportunity to vote in support of Proposition 1 on the November 3, 2015 ballot; and

WHEREAS, Proposition 1 is a constitutional amendment increasing the amount of the residence homestead exemption from ad valorem taxation for public school purposes from \$15,000 to \$25,000, which will provide property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, the homestead exemption on school property taxes has not been increased since 1997, when voters approved a measure to increase the exemption from \$5,000 to \$15,000 – nearly 94 percent of voters in 1997 supported the increase to the homestead exemption; and

WHEREAS, homeowners with the current exemption of \$15,000 are saving approximately \$185. If the increase to \$25,000 is approved by voters, homeowners will save \$309. Which would be an additional \$120; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County Tax Assessor-Collector Pablo “Paul” Villarreal, Jr. supports the amendment and urges residents interested in cutting taxes to vote in favor of it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court does hereby support Proposition 1 on the November 3, 2015 ballot.

Approved this 29th day of September 2015.

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

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

EDUARDO “EDDIE” CANTU
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

JOE M. FLORES
County Commissioner, Pct. 3

JOSEPH PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk