

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 23 AS
WALK-N-ROLLA CELEBRATION DAY**

WHEREAS, the Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization (HCMPO), in partnership with local governments and communities organizations, will host the 6th Annual Walk-n-Rolla Event Celebration encouraging alternate modes of transportation, such as walking, bicycling, carpooling, and public-transit, in order to promote public health, support the economy, improve quality of life of our neighborhoods, cities and region; and

WHEREAS, making investments in walking, bicycling and public transit infrastructure can connect jobs, shopping and living, thus creating clean and convenient alternatives to driving; and

WHEREAS, studies have shown that walking or bicycling 30 to 60 minutes a day lowers weight and greatly reduces the risk of developing heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes; and

WHEREAS, walking and bicycling is not only a beneficial for a healthy life but can also play an important role in protecting and improving the living environment and natural resources in our communities; and

WHEREAS, the event will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at the Edinburg City Hall Court Yard from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will include bike rides, rodeo for kids, 5k run, community walk and Mutt Strut. There will also be informational booths and exhibits to educate citizens about alternate transportation options available to them and how to reduce auto-oriented type development.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby declares April 23, 2016 as Walk – N – Rolla Celebration Day and encourages all citizens to attend this event to improve their quality of life, livability and sustainability of our communities.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2016.

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