

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 10, 2016  
NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION AWARENESS DAY IN HIDALGO COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, every year millions of Americans are directly affected by the more than 37,000 suicides and hundreds of thousands attempted suicide of friends or loved ones; and

**WHEREAS**, public awareness is the key to preventing the suffering and loss of life. Root causes of suicide involve so many different psychological, physical, social, and spiritual dimensions, successful preventive action requires the combined efforts of individuals, families, communities, organizations, and governments at all levels; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 10, 2015 a world-wide Suicide Prevention Awareness campaign – Connect, Communicate and Care – will be observed; and

**WHEREAS**, fostering connections with those who have lost a loved one to suicide or with someone who you feel may be suicidal is crucial to furthering suicide prevention efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 10<sup>th</sup>, all residents of Hidalgo County are encouraged to join with others around the world who are working towards the common goal of preventing suicide through connecting, communicating and caring.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims September 10, 2016 as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Day in Hidalgo County and encourages its citizens to reach out and help anyone at risk of suicide.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August 2016.

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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