

PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEPTEMBER HUNGER ACTION MONTH

WHEREAS, Hunger Action Month 2016 calls attention to the obstacles that hunger creates for people in need and recognizes the important role of the Food Bank of the Rio Grande Valley and other food banks in addressing hunger and raising awareness; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank RGV is celebrating its 30th year of operation in Hidalgo County, feeding as many as 42,000 valley residents on a weekly basis; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank RGV shares its mission with up to 250 charities, churches and non-profits, addressing them as Partner Agencies; and

WHEREAS, in times of emergencies, the Food Bank RGV is the Donations and Volunteer Coordinator for Hidalgo County; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank RVG distributed a record 45 million pounds of food to hungry families in South Texas in the last fiscal year;

WHEREAS, canned food and fund drives help support the ongoing efforts to feed hungry families in the Rio Grande Valley; and

WHEREAS, the Food Bank RGV is home of the Pharrmers Market, providing healthy options for the community and educating families via its Community Garden; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims September 2016 as Hunger Action Month and encourages residents to wear orange on September 8 to help raise awareness of the issues caused by hunger and to consider donating canned goods, time, and money to the Food Bank RGV.

Dated this 6th day of September 2016.

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

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

EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU
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JOE M. FLORES
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JOSEPH PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk