



# HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

## SHERIFF J. E. "EDDIE" GUERRA

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office K9 Deputy "DICK", an 11 year old Belgian Malinois Police Dog (Asset # 49600), was purchased from Global K9 Training Academy in 2009 by the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, K9 "DICK" underwent extensive training to detect illicit narcotics, apprehend violent criminals, and track for escaped fugitives, for the purposes of serving law enforcement and was certified by the National Narcotic Detector Dog Association as a Narcotic Detector and Police Patrol Dog; and

WHEREAS, K9 "DICK" was assigned to the Narcotic Enforcement Unit at the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office where he served assisting in narcotic investigations and criminal highway interdiction, and was responsible for the seizure of several thousand pounds of illicit narcotics including marijuana, cocaine, heroin, and methamphetamine and the seizure of U.S. currency exceeding one million dollars; and

WHEREAS, K9 "DICK" also served as a S.W.A.T. Police Dog Operator for the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office S.W.A.T. team providing cover for the safety of deputies participating in several high risk operations and assisting in the apprehension of several dangerous felons; and

WHEREAS, K9 "DICK" participated in several public and school presentations where he served as a tool to raise awareness on the dangers of drug abuse and provided children a positive experience and interaction with law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, K9 "DICK" has devoted his entire adult life to serve and protect the deputies and citizens of Hidalgo County, Texas and who suffered a career ending injury during a training exercise and has reached an age where his body no longer allows him to perform his duties despite his tremendous ongoing spirit;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court retires K9 "DICK" from his service to the citizens and county of Hidalgo, Texas and that he is allowed to live out the rest of his days in the loving comfort and security of his handler's home therein named Sr. Deputy Javier Solis Jr., who assumes all responsibility for K9 "DICK" and that K9 "DICK" be honored for his dedicated service and be allowed to remain as a recognized honorary retired member of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office K9 Unit.

Passed and Approved by Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court on \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

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Ramon Garcia  
HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE

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A.C. Cuellar Commissioner Pct. # 1

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Joe M. Flores Commissioner Pct. # 3

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Eduardo "Eddie" Cantu  
Commissioner Pct. # 2

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Joseph Palacios  
Commissioner Pct. # 4



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## AFFIDAVIT

{THE STATE OF TEXAS}  
{COUNTY OF HIDALGO}

BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, A NOTARY PUBLIC IN, AND FOR HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS DATE, PERSONALLY APPEARED **Javier Solis**, AFTER BY ME DULY SWORN, UPON OATH DEPOSES, AND SAYS:

MY NAME IS Javier Solis AND I LIVE AT 605 Mazatlan Palmview Hidalgo County, Texas. I WAS BORN ON 01/28/80, AND I AM 36 YEARS OLD. MY TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 956-222-9417. I AM EMPLOYED BY THE Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office AND THE BUSINESS IS LOCATED AT 711 East El Cibolo Road in Edinburg, Texas.

I wish to say that my name is Javier Solis. I wish to say that I am currently employed with the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office and my current rank is of a Senior Deputy. I have been employed with the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office for over 10 years and I am currently assigned to the Sheriff's Office K9 Unit as a K9 handler and K9 trainer. The K9 assigned to me is "Dick" a male Belgium Malinois, Asset # 49600.

Recently K9 "Dick" became injured during a training exercise and was taken to an emergency Veterinarian for emergency treatment. The Veterinarian concluded that the K9 had a Cruciate Ligament tear on his right knee which would require surgery and constant expensive medical treatment. I was later informed that the Sheriff's Office would be retiring the K9 because of its medical disorder and continuous expenses for said treatment.

Being that K9 "Dick" has been my partner for over seven years I would be interested in taking full responsibility for K9 "Dick" upon him being retired. I am willing to release any and all liabilities from the Sheriff's Office. I will provide food, shelter and all medical needs for the retired canine. I have been made aware of the retired canine's medical problems. I already have a kennel set up for the canine. I will also cooperate with the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office at any time to go by my residence and check on the condition of the retired canine. I would appreciate it if I am considered in providing the remaining life of retirement for K9 "Dick" to be cared for and appreciated by my loving family. I sincerely thank you.

THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND RECOLLECTION AND I GIVE IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

AFFIANT  #3672  
SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME ON THIS THE 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY  
2016 NOTARY PUBLIC FOR HIDALGO COUNTY TEXAS



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### RECEIPT AGREEMENT

### UNSUCCESSFUL OR UNACCEPTABLE HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE K9 DOG

In consideration of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's office, retirement of "K9-DICK", Asset #49600, and subsequent transfer of ownership to Javier Solis named donee, receipt is acknowledged, and which I know to be a dog which was found to be unsuitable for future police work and retired due to a medical injury which consist of a Cruciate Ligament tear in left knee. I hereby agree and warrant as follows:

1. Upon signing of this form by me and by The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office's authorized representative, The County of Hidalgo relinquishes all right, title and interest in said dog, and all responsibility for its condition and actions, and accepts and assumes full ownership of said dog and complete responsibility for its condition and actions.
2. Therefore, I will indemnify and hold harmless the County of Hidalgo and The Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office and its agents and employees against and from any and all claims which I, my heirs, executors, or assigns may now or at any time in the future have arising from any cause or in any manner connected with the condition or conduct of said dog.
3. I further state that I have not exchanged money or anything else of value except my agreement made herein for the said dog.
4. Further, I accept this dog fully aware that the County of Hidalgo and the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office makes no warranty or guarantee of its condition of health or temperament, or its future behavior. I am also aware that this dog has had aggression training.
5. Considering the above, I understand that the County of Hidalgo assumes no liability for damages to the property of the donee, Javier Solis, or for personal injuries, disabilities or death of the donee or the donee's employees or to any other person arising from or incident to the donation of this animal or its use or disposition. The donee shall hold the County of Hidalgo and the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office harmless from any and all such demands, suits, actions, or claims of whatsoever nature arising from or out of the donation of this animal.

#### Witness & Authorized

Hidalgo County Sheriff \_\_\_\_\_

Hidalgo County Sheriff  
J.E. "Eddie" Guerra

Donee Javier Solis #3672

Donee: Javier Solis  
Hidalgo County Sheriff's Deputy

Donee Address: 605 Mazatlan  
City, State Zip: Palmview, TX. 78572  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_



*Four Paws Animal Hospital*

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To whom it may concern;

Canine officer Dick was seen at our hospital on April 11, 2016 for non-weight bearing lameness in the left rear leg. He was sedated and it was determined that he had a partial tear of his cruciate ligament in the left knee. The injury was obtained during an exercise on April 10, 2016. Dick was placed on pain meds and rest.

His handler officer Solis has reported that Dick is still limping. He needs evaluation by an orthopedist for possible surgical repair of the cruciate ligament. Dick would be unlikely to perform at his necessary work level even with the surgery.

Justin Cerelli, D.V.M.