

**RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF
HIDALGO COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS 20TH ANNIVERSARY**

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County Crime Stoppers was established in May 1997 by community residents who decided to unite and take a stand against the growing crime rate in the county; and

WHEREAS, the mission of Hidalgo County Crime Stoppers is to reduce and prevent crime as well as actively pursue those who commit crime, by working closely with the community and treating the public with respect and dignity, as well as maintaining the highest level of integrity and professionalism; and

WHEREAS, residents are able to submit information about criminal activity anonymously, which the Crime Stoppers program in turn transfers to law enforcement for immediate action, and in some cases if the information leads directly to an arrest, narcotics seizure and/or conviction tipsters may receive a cash reward; and

WHEREAS, since its inception, Hidalgo County Crime Stoppers has partnered with the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office to fight crime and currently collaborates with a coordinator who acts as a liaison between both groups; and

WHEREAS, the non-profit organization consists of volunteers who operate the program through generous donations from the community; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County Crime Stoppers are the eyes and ears of law enforcement in Hidalgo County and the program prides itself on providing a safe forum for citizens to report crime in their neighborhoods without fear of retaliation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby recognizes the Hidalgo County Crime Stoppers program for 20 years of dutiful service, dedication and commitment to the safety and well-being of the citizens of Hidalgo County.

Approved this 30th day of May 2017.

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

DAVID L. FUENTES
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