

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER
AS PHYSICIAN PARTICIPATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, the Hidalgo County Health and Human Services Department in conjunction with the Texas Department of State Health Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention have included the Physician Participation Month as part of this awareness campaign, to help facilitate communication and education among Hidalgo County residents to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of mosquito control and prevention; and

WHEREAS, diseases can be difficult to diagnose, often resembling other infections and noninfectious diseases; this proclamation creates the opportunity for Hidalgo County residents and health care providers to learn more about the threat, medical implications and prevention of these diseases; we would like to recognize our local physicians for their dedication and care of our local residents, as evident by over 10,000 ZIKA assessments completed year to date; and

WHEREAS, it is important for individuals and organizations to work with the Hidalgo County Health Department and local vector control organizations within cities to help decrease the effects of mosquito borne illnesses.

The Hidalgo County Health Department salutes those committed to this challenge and worthwhile endeavor, and extend best wishes to all for a successful and rewarding observance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims the month of November 2017 to be Physician Participation Month and urges all agencies to actively participate in outreach and programs to work toward eradicating mosquito borne illness, improving citizen safety and overcoming barriers of access to healthcare, and in doing so improves health services and wellbeing of our communities.

Approved this 31st day of October 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