

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING JUNE 12, 2018 AS
“BLUE TIE DAY” IN OBSERVANCE OF MEN’S HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, to raise public awareness about the importance of male health and to encourage men to live longer and healthier lives through early detection and treatment of diseases, each year June is observed as National Men's Health month and the week leading up to Father's Day is known as Men's Health Awareness week; and

WHEREAS, every year more than 100,000 men in the United States and nearly 45,000 in Texas alone lose their lives to cancer with the most common kinds of cancer among men being prostate cancer, lung cancer and colorectal cancer; and

WHEREAS, these diseases affect men from all walks of life and the reluctance of many men to visit a doctor or undergo annual physical examinations prevents early detection of these diseases; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County Health and Human Services is committed to increasing men's health awareness by encouraging everyone to participate in “Blue Tie Day” each Tuesday during the month of June; and

WHEREAS, wearing a blue tie will help raise awareness about making healthy life choices, making regular annual visits to the doctor and, getting educated on health issues that affect men such as testicular and prostate cancers, diabetes, and heart disease; and

WHEREAS, wives, mothers, daughters, aunts and sisters play a pivotal role in recognizing and preventing men's health issues as they not only affect men but their families as well; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County Health and Human Services is committed to ensuring that men and women understand how to protect themselves and their families from diseases affecting males in order to create healthier communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims Tuesday, June 12, 2018 as “Blue Tie Day” and encourages all men to take their health seriously with annual health check-ups.

Approved this 11th day of June, 2018.

RAMON GARCIA
County Judge

DAVID L. FUENTES
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

EDUARDO “EDDIE” CANTU
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Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk