

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF SALVADOR VELA**

**WHEREAS**, Salvador Vela has served the community of Alton for more than 40 years, serving on the inaugural city commission in 1978, when the city was established after residents adopted a general rule charter; and

**WHEREAS**, he was elected Mayor in 1990 and has served in that position for 28 consecutive years; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Vela has led the development of Alton from a poor, rural community of colonias to a thriving small town with modern amenities and services; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Vela is renowned for his commitment to changing the face of his community to assure that residents have a voice in government and the best opportunities possible; and

**WHEREAS**, some of his most recent initiatives and projects include bridging the digital divide in the City of Alton by providing free city-wide Wi-Fi, extending sewer services to outside city limits to support new development, expanding Josefa Garcia Memorial Park from five to 55 acres, and widening 5 Mile Line from La Homa Road to Shary Road to five lanes by 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his career, Mayor Vela has been recognized for his leadership, strong work ethic, and his love for his community and family; he has never forgotten his roots and throughout his years of service has strived to assist as many people in his community as possible and continue to grow and improve the City of Alton.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby honors Mayor Salvador Vela for his outstanding service, dedication, and commitment to serving the residents of the City of Alton.

**Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March 2019.**

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**RICHARD F. CORTEZ**  
County Judge

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**DAVID L. FUENTES**  
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

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**EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU**  
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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**JOE M. FLORES**  
County Commissioner, Pct.3

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**ELLIE TORRES**  
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

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**Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.**  
County Clerk