

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF  
A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION MERGER**

**WHEREAS**, 23 U.S.C. § 134 requires that a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) be designated for each urbanized area; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County is currently a part of the Hidalgo County MPO; and

**WHEREAS**, a proposed Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization would include the consolidation of the Hidalgo County MPO, Brownsville MPO, and Harlingen-San Benito MPO; and

**WHEREAS**, a Re-Designation Agreement is required by federal law to effectuate the consolidation of MPOs; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County is a required party to any Re-Designation Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the best interests of Hidalgo County and the Rio Grande Valley region are best served by creating a single metropolitan planning organization to facilitate increased funding and long term infrastructure planning;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby supports the merger of the Hidalgo County Metropolitan Organization, the Brownsville Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Harlingen-San Benito Metropolitan Planning Organization into the proposed Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (Valley MPO).

**Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 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