

**HIDALGO COUNTY AND
HIDALGO COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1
JOINT RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 8 (HJR 4)**

WHEREAS, chronic flooding has affected the economy and health and safety of the citizens of the State of Texas and of Hidalgo County; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the tremendous challenge posed by flooding, our local state legislators led by Senator Juan “Chuy” Hinojosa, Representative Oscar Longoria, and Representative Armando “Mando” Martinez, during the 86th Legislative Session, played a critical role in the passage of House Joint Resolution 4; and

WHEREAS, House Joint Resolution 4 proposes a constitutional amendment, also known as Proposition 8 (“Prop. 8”), allowing for the creation of the Flood Infrastructure Fund (FIF) that would authorize \$793 million in flood-control projects in the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo county is the seventh largest county by population, with a population of approximately one million citizens, and Hidalgo County represents a critical component of the economy of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County Drainage District No.1 advocate the equitable distribution of the Flood Infrastructure Fund throughout the state, recognizing that project selection should include the projects within Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1; and

WHEREAS, drainage infrastructure projects are critical in providing community resiliency and economic growth as well as in safeguarding the health and safety of citizens; and

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County and Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 encourage the citizens of Hidalgo County to fully support Prop. 8 in the upcoming November of 2019 statewide elections; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court and the Board of Directors of Hidalgo County Drainage District No. 1 support Prop. 8 and the equitable distribution of the Flood Infrastructure Fund to include drainage projects in South Texas and particularly in Hidalgo County.

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