

*Proclamation congratulating Pastor Juan de la Garza
for 50 years of Ministry*

Whereas Pastor Juan de la Garza was born to Juan and Guadalupe de la Garza on April 16, 1951 in the city of Ejido Reynosa Diaz, Tamaulipas. At the age of 12 he came to the United States and attended Citriana Elementary School and graduated from Mission High School; and

Whereas at the age of 20, he made a personal decision to make Jesus Christ his Lord and Savior. Two weeks after this decision, he felt compelled to preach the gospel, and shortly after, moved to San Antonio, TX, to attend the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute. He founded Iglesia del Pueblo at the age of 36, and pastored this church for over 30 years. In 2020, Iglesia del Pueblo merged with Cross Church; and

Whereas Pastor Juan de la Garza is now celebrating 50 years of ministry this year. He has been married to his wife, Rosie, for 45 years. They have 4 beautiful daughters, 2 son in laws, and 6 grandchildren. He has founded 8 churches, and provides spiritual guidance to many pastors and churches throughout the nation. He has traveled throughout the United States, Mexico, Central and South America, Canada and the Caribbean, sharing the gospel in different churches and communities, as well as leadership conferences; and

Whereas he received a doctorate in pastoral ministry from the Latin University of Theology in California and has written 5 books: “Aceite Fresco en el Desierto”, “Sueña en Grande”, “Diseños Económicos de Dios”, “Espíritu Santo te Necesito”, and “Disfrutando el Presente sin Olvidar el Pasado”; and

Whereas Pastor Juan de la Garza currently serves alongside Pastor Jaime Loya at Cross Church, and is currently the president of One Church Network and Chaplain for the city of Peñitas.

Now therefore, be it proclaimed that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby congratulates Pastor Juan de la Garza for 50 years of ministry and service to our community. Thank you for your dedication and for caring for the residents of Hidalgo County.

Approved this 19th day of October 2021.

RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge

DAVID L. FUENTES
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

EDUARDO “EDDIE” CANTU
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

EVERARDO “EVER” VILLARREAL
County Commissioner, Pct. 3

ELLIE TORRES
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk