

*Proclamation in Recognition and Celebration Of
International Women's Day*

- Whereas* International Women's Day is celebrated globally on March 8th by those who believe in gender equality and who seek to improve the lives of all women through cultural, legal, economic, and social change; and
- Whereas* International Women's Day celebrates the collective power of women, pays tribute to their achievements, and recognizes the remaining challenges to further efforts for women's rights and gender equality, encouraging and mobilizing all people to contribute for positive change; and
- Whereas* the County of Hidalgo honors the accomplished and visionary women who have helped build and shape our nation, state, county and cities; and
- Whereas* the County of Hidalgo pays tribute to the innovators from the recent and distant past for daring to envision a future for which no past precedent existed, and for building a nation of endless possibilities for all its women; and
- Whereas* currently, there are women serving locally in leadership positions, inspiring the continued work in advancing the rights, opportunities and full participation of women and girls of all backgrounds; and
- Whereas* on this 112th International Women's Day, we celebrate and encourage everyone to take actions against gender bias and inequity in support of the 2023 theme of "Embrace Equity"; and
- Whereas* while International Women's Day activity escalates for March 8, prime employers for women maintain a deep and continuous focus on equity, diversity and inclusion all year round.

Now therefore, be it proclaimed that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court recognizes and celebrates "International Women's Day" in appreciation of the many achievements of the women of the County of Hidalgo, and those across the nation, state and municipalities.

Approved this 7th day of March 2023.

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County Judge

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Attest: _____
ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk