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COUNTY OF HIDALGO §

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT &
BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO
AND MERCEDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

This **FIRST AMENDMENT** to the **INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT and INCORPORATED BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT** (“**AMENDMENT**”) is made this 17th day of **March, 2026** by and between **HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS** (the “**COUNTY**”) and **MERCEDES INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT** (the “**DISTRICT**”).

WHEREAS, County and District entered into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and Incorporated Business Associate Agreement on March 23, 2021 (the “**AGREEMENT**”) in which the Parties agreed to assist one another to improve local bioterrorism preparedness and response to outbreaks on infections disease and other public health threats and emergencies for the good of the health, welfare and safety of their constituents and the general public;

WHEREAS, Section No. 12 **Term** allows C-20-561I-03-23 to renew for a period of five (5) years by written amendment.

WHEREAS, the parties desire to amend the Agreement to exercise its first and final option for a five (5) year renewal of the agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the terms and provisions of this first Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement, both parties hereby agree to the following amendment to the Agreement.

1. The Agreement shall be extended for a period of five (5) years, to run from March 23, 2026 to March 22, 2031, as permitted under section no. 12 of the Agreement.

All other information remains the same.


EXECUTED as of the day and year first written above.

APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS COURT ON March 17, 2026

Agenda Item No. 102514


Executive Office: _____

**MERCEDES INDEPENDENT
SCHOOL DISTRICT/BUSINESS ASSOCIATE**



Dr. Alicia Noyola
Interim Superintendent of Schools

COUNTY OF HIDALGO, TEXAS



Marcos J. Garcia IV
School Board President

Hon. Richard F. Cortez, County Judge

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Office of the Criminal District Attorney,
Toribio "Terry" Palacios

ATTEST:

Michelle Lopez, Assistant District Attorney

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

ATTACHMENTS:
(If Applicable)

SUPPLEMENTAL SIGNATURES:
(If Applicable)