

*Proclamation Recognizing  
Knapp Medical Center*

*Whereas* In May, Knapp Medical Center in Weslaco was awarded a 5-Star Overall Hospital Quality Rating by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, making them the only hospital in the Rio Grande Valley to receive this distinction; and

*Whereas* This 5-Star rating is the highest possible rating and reflects excellence across key quality measures including patient outcomes, patient safety, readmissions, and patient experience; and

*Whereas* Knapp Medical Center has been serving the residents of Hidalgo County for over 60 years. Founded in 1962, Knapp Medical Center is a 227-bed, not-for-profit, acute care hospital with more than 200 physicians representing over 40 specialties, offering an array of comprehensive services; and

*Whereas* This achievement joins several other recent honors earned by Knapp Medical Center, including two consecutive “A” Hospital Safety Grades from The Leapfrog Group, a Forbes 5-Star Hospital designation, and recognition as one of Premier’s Top 100 Hospitals; and

*Whereas* This milestone underscores the dedication of the physicians, nurses, clinical staff, and support teams whose work makes these accomplishments possible. As the only comprehensive health system serving the Mid-Valley, Knapp Medical Center is proud to deliver award-winning care to the residents of Hidalgo County.

*Now, therefore, be it proclaimed* that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby congratulates Knapp Medical Center on this remarkable achievement, and we thank the hospital for providing exceptional, comprehensive care to the people of Hidalgo County, the Mid-Valley and State of Texas.

***Approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2026.***

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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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**EVERARDO “EVER” VILLARREAL**  
County Commissioner, Pct. 3

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**ELLIE TORRES**  
County Commissioner, Pct. 4

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.**  
County Clerk