

*Proclamation Declaring
September 14-20, 2026 as Nephrology Nurses Week*

Whereas Nephrology nurses are dedicated healthcare professionals who provide specialized, life-sustaining care to patients with chronic kidney disease, acute kidney injuries and end-stage renal disease; and

Whereas These nurses utilize their advanced clinical expertise, continuous education, and compassion to administer complex treatments like hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis, helping patients maintain a high quality of life; and

Whereas Nephrology nurses serving Hidalgo County act as vital advocates, educators, and emotional pillars for local patients and families navigating challenging medical journeys; and

Whereas The number of new patients diagnosed with kidney disease has doubled in each of the last two decades, the demand for nephrology nurses will rise as this trend is expected to continue; and

Whereas The American Nephrology Nurses Association is working to advance quality care to Americans with kidney disease before they suffer complete organ failure, increase awareness in local communities, and keep nephrology nurses up to date on the latest treatments and kidney related research; and

Whereas Palm Valley Chapter #271 joins the American Nephrology Nurses Association in celebrating the resilience, skill, and clinical excellence of these essential healthcare workers.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court declares September 14-20, 2026 as Nephrology Nurses Week and encourages all citizens to recognize the invaluable contributions these professionals make to our community's health and well-being.

Approved this 1st day of September 2026.

RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge

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County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: _____
ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk