

*Resolution Recognizing
Texas Mission of Mercy's
100th Mobile Dental Clinic Event*

Whereas Texas Mission of Mercy (TMOM) will host its 100th mobile dental clinic event on October 2 & 3, 2026, providing an opportunity to recognize the organization for its outstanding work and milestone; and

Whereas Established in 2001, Texas Mission of Mercy is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the oral health and quality of life of underserved Texans by offering free basic dental care such as cleanings, fillings, and extractions, through mobile dental clinics; and

Whereas These clinics are made possible through collaboration with local leaders, community organizations, health care providers, and hundreds of volunteers, allowing TMOM to bring needed oral health services directly to communities across Texas; and

Whereas Since its inception, Texas Mission of Mercy has visited 61 cities across the state, providing treatment to nearly 57,000 patients, amounting to more than \$37.4 million in donated dental services, reflecting a longstanding commitment to expanding access to care; and

Whereas TMOM's 100th dental clinic in Edinburg follows the success of the organization's inaugural Rio Grande Valley event in 2023, which was spearheaded by Dr. Carlos Cruz's Oral & Craniofacial Center and has since provided treatment to 743 individuals, with the total value of dental services exceeding \$750,000; and

Whereas The 2026 event is expected to build on that success through expanded participation from local partners and increased capacity to serve more patients, with the Hidalgo County Community Service Agency once again supporting the initiative through Community Services Block Grant funding; and

Whereas By helping bring critical oral health care to individuals in need, Texas Mission of Mercy makes a meaningful contribution to the well-being of Texans and continues to strengthen partnerships that expand access to essential services; and

Whereas The success of this effort would not be possible without the dedicated support of Texas Mission of Mercy dentists from across the state, and the leadership of Dr. Carlos Cruz in spearheading this important initiative.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby recognizes and congratulates Texas Mission of Mercy on the momentous occasion of its 100th mobile dental clinic event and extends their sincere appreciation to the organization and all involved for their extraordinary efforts.

Approved this 22nd day of September 2026.

RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge

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County Commissioner, Pct. 2

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County Commissioner, Pct. 4

Attest: _____
ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk