Proclamation Honoring the 100th Birthday of Mrs. Yolanda "Nani" Garza

Whereas It is with great honor and joy that the Hidalgo County community gathers to celebrate the remarkable life of Mrs. Yolanda "Nani" Garza, who has reached the incredible milestone of celebrating her 100th birthday; and

Whereas Yolanda Guerra was born in McAllen, Texas, on October 10, 1926, attended McAllen ISD public schools and, at the age of 17, graduated from McAllen High School in 1944; and

Whereas In 1946, Yolanda met the love of her life, the late Mr. Oscar L. Garza, of Edinburg. Mr. & Mrs. Garza were blessed with 63 years of marriage and five children: the late Gloria Anne Perez (Balta), Yoli Vera (Arnold), Claris Garza, the late Hidalgo County Precinct 4 Commissioner Oscar L. Garza, Jr. (Imelda), and Dr. Jim Garza. Mrs. Garza is lovingly called "Nani" by her 11 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren with another on the way this month; and

Whereas Mrs. Garza has dedicated her century-long life to her family and community, exemplifying the values of faith, love, resilience and service. During her over 50 years of volunteer work, she held roles in several organizations including Edinburg Public Library, Edinburg Junior Service League, as President of St. Joseph Catholic Church Altar Society, Catholic Daughters of America, as an Officer of the Church Women United, and as a Eucharistic Minister; and

Whereas Mrs. Garza was a 40-year member of the Edinburg Hospital Auxiliary (now Edinburg Regional Medical Center), and was elected President of the Rio Grande Council of Hospital Auxiliaries in 1993; and

Whereas Mrs. Yolanda Garza was also actively involved with the Pan American Round Table of Edinburg for over 40 years, and was honored as Woman of the Year in 2014. Nani is known for her personality, her beauty, her keen fashion sense, her love of books and reading, her love of dance and music and most of all love of her family, friends, and community.

Now, therefore, be it proclaimed that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby recognizes and congratulates Mrs. Yolanda "Nani" Garza, for setting a shining example of service while reaching such an incredible milestone; and honors Mrs. Garza for her centennial celebration, her unconditional love for family and her wisdom from witnessing a century of history.

Approved this 10th day of November 2026.

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RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge

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Attest: _____
ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk