

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 7-11, 2013 AS  
BORDER BINATIONAL HEALTH WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, Border Binational Health Week, held annually in October, promotes sustainable partnerships to help address border health problems; intended outcomes include increased community and inter-agency networking relationships, increased information sharing and educational opportunities, and increased awareness of binational health councils; and

**WHEREAS**, public health issues in the South Texas and Mexican Border do not have a sense of boundaries; health issues equally affect both sides of the border; and

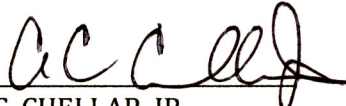
**WHEREAS**, the HIDA-REY Binational Health Council was created to strengthen binational partnerships, tackle binational public health issues, and promote public health awareness; and

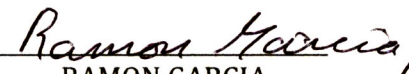
**WHEREAS**, the HIDA-REY Binational Health Council represents partnerships between Hidalgo County and Reynosa agencies and organizations, and will be hosting activities simultaneously at the binational level to raise public awareness of diseases and public health issues currently being experienced in Hidalgo County and Reynosa; and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Border Binational Health Week HIDA-REY activities is to enhance binational public health awareness by educating local graduate and college students through the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual HIDA-REY Public Health Conference on October 9, 2013 at the University of Texas-Pan American, Continuing Education and Student Services Building and to promote throughout the entire community the importance of living a healthy lifestyle by coordinating with local and binational public health partners.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim October 7-11, 2013 as Border Binational Health Week in Hidalgo County.**

Approved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

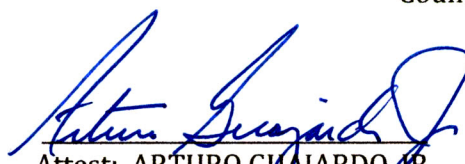
  
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Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO JR.  
Hidalgo County Clerk