

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A  
REGIONAL POTABLE WATER TRANSMISSION**

**WHEREAS**, potable water is a precious and vital commodity necessary to support human life, critical to economic development and for the general benefit of all communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rio Grande River is the most viable source of raw water for the residents of the Lower Rio Grande Valley; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County recognizes the importance of a reliable source of potable water for their residents which will result in promoting tourism and support economic development opportunities for our region; and

**WHEREAS**, McAllen Public Utility has made strategic investments to insure the availability and reliability of potable water for its service area; and

**WHEREAS**, McAllen Public Utility has been successful in planning and programming capital improvements to achieve the availability of future potable water treatment capacities for the benefit of its rate payers; and

**WHEREAS**, McAllen Public Utility wishes to provide support to other water utility entities in the Rio Grande Valley by creating a partnership that will result in mutual benefit; and


**WHEREAS**, this can be accomplished by the extension of a potable water transmission line through various communities located immediately east of McAllen Public Utility's service area; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this type of project may be available through various federal and state agencies, including but not limited to the Texas Water Development Board; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County recognizes that the development and construction of a project of this nature will have a tremendous positive economic impact on both job creation and economic growth to their service area.

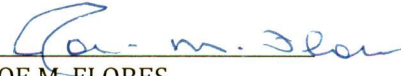
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby unanimously expresses its strong support and willingness to partner with McAllen Public Utility as it works to determine the feasibility of constructing a regional potable water transmission line to the east of its current service area.

Approved this 1<sup>st</sup> day of November 2016.

  
A.C. CUELLAR, JR.  
County Commissioner, Pct. 1

  
RAMON GARCIA  
County Judge

  
EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU  
County Commissioner, Pct. 2

  
JOE M. FLORES  
County Commissioner, Pct. 3

  
Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.  
County Clerk

JOSEPH PALACIOS  
County Commissioner, Pct. 4