

## RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS

**WHEREAS**, since 1978, Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas has addressed our community's most pressing youth issues, strengthened families, and built stronger communities by facilitating long-lasting, one-to-one mentoring relationships for disadvantaged and at-risk youth.; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Hidalgo recognizes the importance and benefits of the activities of Big Brothers Big Sisters in South Texas and nationally, in that the children of our community are tomorrow's leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, many young people need an effective mentoring program to help them cope with a wide range of social and financial hardships. Big Brothers Big Sisters, through mentoring, is at the forefront of efforts in substance abuse prevention, delinquency prevention, and literacy programs. By participating in the program little brothers and sisters are more confident in their schoolwork, are able to get along better with their families, and are less likely to begin using illegal drugs or alcohol.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby recognizes the important role of volunteer mentors in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program and encourages residents to support Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Texas.

Approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2017.



**RAMON GARCIA**

County Judge



**DAVID L. FUENTES**

County Commissioner, Pct. 1



**EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU**

County Commissioner, Pct. 2




**JOE M. FLORES**

County Commissioner, Pct. 3



**JOSEPH PALACIOS**

County Commissioner, Pct. 4



Attest: **ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.**

County Clerk