

**PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 15 - 19, 2019
AS "WEEK OF THE YOUNG CHILD"**

WHEREAS, the "Week of the Young Child" is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world's largest early childhood education association, with nearly 100,000 members and a network of over 300 local, state, and regional Affiliates; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the "Week of the Young Child" is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs; and

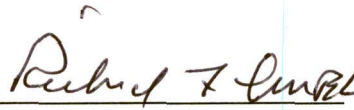
WHEREAS, the Hidalgo County Head Start Program, under the leadership of the County Commissioners and Policy Council, share a vision of dedicated services to the economic and social well-being of children and families and are committed to their safety, education and healthy development, with strong community support; and

WHEREAS, the Hidalgo County Head Start provides quality services to 3,690 children between the ages of 3-5 from the neediest families in the county, in the areas of education, health, dental health, mental health, nutrition, special and social services; and

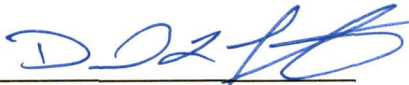
WHEREAS, the designation of a week of special recognition for the children of Hidalgo County will provide an opportunity for caregivers to reflect on the children's future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims April 15th through the 19th, 2019 to be the "Week of the Young Child" in Hidalgo County, Texas, and urges all citizens to work together to help provide children with the support they need to develop skills and confidence, and to find the inner strength and the will and fire of the human spirit to make their dreams come true.

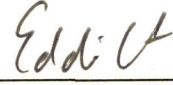
Approved this 9th day of April 2019.



RICHARD F. CORTEZ
County Judge



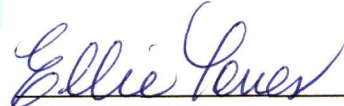
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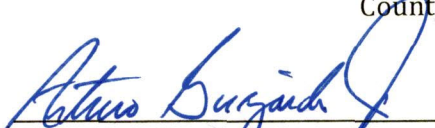
EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU
County Commissioner, Pct. 2



JOE M. FLORES
County Commissioner, Pct. 3



ELLIE TORRES
County Commissioner, Pct. 4



Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk