

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF  
A METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION MERGER**

**WHEREAS**, 23 U.S.C. § 134 requires that a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) be designated for each urbanized area; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County is currently a part of the Hidalgo County MPO; and

**WHEREAS**, a proposed Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization would include the consolidation of the Hidalgo County MPO, Brownsville MPO, and Harlingen-San Benito MPO; and

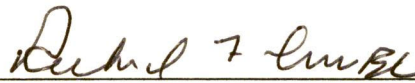
**WHEREAS**, a Re-Designation Agreement is required by federal law to effectuate the consolidation of MPOs; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County is a required party to any Re-Designation Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the best interests of Hidalgo County and the Rio Grande Valley region are best served by creating a single metropolitan planning organization to facilitate increased funding and long term infrastructure planning;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby supports the merger of the Hidalgo County Metropolitan Organization, the Brownsville Metropolitan Planning Organization, and the Harlingen-San Benito Metropolitan Planning Organization into the proposed Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (Valley MPO).

**Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.**



**RICHARD F. CORTEZ**

County Judge



**DAVID L. FUENTES**

County Commissioner, Pct. 1



**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