

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS NATIONAL RUNNING SAFETY MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Hidalgo, Texas joins the nation in recognizing November as National Running Safety Month, a month focused on increasing the public’s awareness of safety for runners and outdoor enthusiasts; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County residents enjoy running year-round. In the fall, with daylight savings time ending, low visibility creates safety concerns and our community is dedicated to ensuring that all residents who enjoy running and outdoor activities remain safe; and

**WHEREAS**, we urge all citizens and drivers to exercise caution while running outdoors, runners are encouraged to use flashlights, brightly colored clothing, wear reflective gear, run against traffic and stay on well-lit paths; and

**WHEREAS**, Hidalgo County is committed to enhancing opportunities for safe, fun outdoor health and recreational activities, and creating a safe environment for our community outdoor enthusiasts, including runners, pedestrians, and bicyclists, including the Hidalgo County Precinct 2 Regional Linear Park Project – a hike and bike trail that spans nearly eight miles across three cities and aims to improve safety for runners, pedestrians, and bicyclists and provide linkages to parks, schools, and communities in the area; and

**WHEREAS**, in commemoration of National Running Safety Month, the City of Pharr and Hidalgo County Precinct 2 will be hosting a groundbreaking ceremony to commemorate and unveil the Linear Parks Project’s innovative new safety features, including safety tunnels. The Groundbreaking Ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 in Pharr.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby proclaims November 2018 as National Running Safety Month and encourages all citizens, runners, bicyclists, pedestrians, and outdoor enthusiasts to promote awareness of safety in our community.

**Approved this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018.**



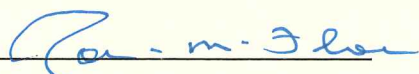
**RAMON GARCIA**  
County Judge



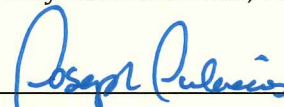
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**Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.**  
County Clerk