

**RESOLUTION IN HONOR OF
TECHNICAL SERGEANT PLACIDO SALAZAR**

WHEREAS, Technical Sergeant Placido Salazar, born in Edcouch and raised in La Villa, enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1956 at the young age of 17, eager to serve his country during the Vietnam War; and

WHEREAS, on August 21, 1965, then Airman Salazar unselfishly risked his life while on duty as he and his comrades came under attack by a heavy barrage of mortar fire at Bien Hoa Air Base in Republic of Vietnam; and

WHEREAS, Airman Salazar left his post to assist two senior officers who were heavily sedated in their mobile quarters, carried them to safety one at a time, then remained with the officers until help arrived, and even after all the personnel were safe, he went back to his command post to guard highly classified documents until he was properly relieved ; and

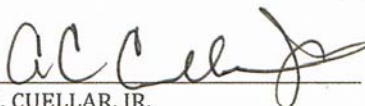
WHEREAS, Airman First Class Placido Salazar was awarded the Bronze Star with Valor for his heroic actions and unselfish dedication to duty, and the Purple Heart for wounds received in action on that fateful night; and

WHEREAS, Technical Sergeant Salazar continues to be a hometown hero, a symbol of strength to many in the La Villa community for his brave actions and unwavering patriotism; and


WHEREAS, Technical Sergeant Salazar now dedicates his time to his family, including his wife Maria de La Luz Cantu de Salazar, son Placido Jr. and his wife Teresa, son Rogelio and his wife Brinda, son Enrique, son Eduardo and his wife Kim, daughter Norma Viuda de Tamez, and son Javier and his wife Sarah.

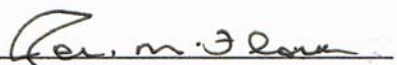
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court hereby recognized and honors Technical Sergeant Placido Salazar for his service, dedication and sacrifice to the United States of America.

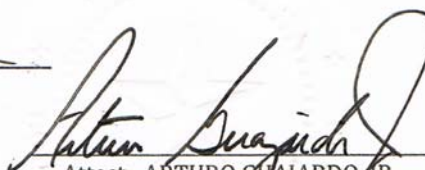
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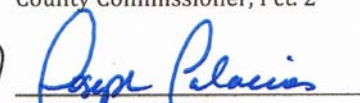

A.C. CUELLAR, JR.
County Commissioner, Pct. 1


RAMON GARCÍA
County Judge


HECTOR "TITO" PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 2


JOE M. FLORES
County Commissioner, Pct. 3


Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk


JOSEPH PALACIOS
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