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NEWS ADVISORY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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Hidalgo County honors fallen Harris County Deputy

EDINBURG – County Judge Ramon Garcia has directed that state flags be flown at half-staff on Friday, Sept. 4 in honor of the life and public service of Harris County Deputy Sheriff Darren Goforth, pursuant to Chapter 3100 of the Texas Government Code, and by order of Texas Governor Greg Abbott. Texas flags should return to full-staff at sunrise on Saturday, Sept. 5.

Individuals, businesses, municipalities and other political subdivisions and entities are encouraged to fly their flags at half-staff for the same length of time as a sign of honor and respect for this fallen law enforcement officer.

In addition Sheriff J.E. "Eddie" Guerra invites representatives from the 40 law enforcement agencies serving in Hidalgo County to join him in showing solidarity and unity in honoring Deputy Goforth by lining Closner Boulevard along the east side of the County Courthouse and flashing their red and blue lights at 11 a.m. Friday – as the funeral for Deputy Goforth commences.

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WHAT: Texas Flags at half-staff and law enforcement show of unity

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 4, with representatives from all Hidalgo County law enforcement agencies flashing their blue and red lights at 11 a.m., when the deputy's funeral is set to begin.

WHERE: Show of unity will be along the eastside of the Hidalgo County Courthouse on Closner Boulevard. Flags throughout Hidalgo County.

Hidalgo County is home to one of the fastest growing regions in the nation. We provide health and justice to the 800,000 residents of our county as well as a variety of services to residents who live outside city limits. We strive to be accessible and responsive to our citizens by providing excellent public service through the values of leadership, transparency, fairness, collaboration, respect and fiscal responsibility.