

PROCLAMATION DECLARING APRIL 11 - 14 2016 "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 90,000 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

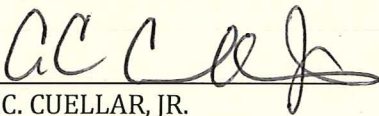
WHEREAS, the Hidalgo County Head Start Program, under the leadership of Commissioners Court and the Policy Council, provides quality services to 3,690 children between the ages of 3-5 from the neediest families in the County of Hidalgo; these services are in the area of education, health, dental health, mental health, nutrition, special, and social service; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme for the week is "Our Hero Stories - Books Come Alive" which will focus on all of the storybook and animated characters that children have grown to love and read about in the classroom and at home; and

WHEREAS, the celebration will take place at the Jose "Pepe" Salinas Civic Center in Pharr and will feature games, activities, reading time, and arts and crafts. In addition, each day will end with a large parade.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court hereby declares April 11 through April 14, 2016 the "Week of the Young Child" in Hidalgo County, and urges all citizens to work together to help provide children with the support they need to develop skills, confidence, inner strength, and the will to make their dreams come true.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2016.



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



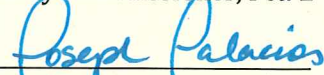
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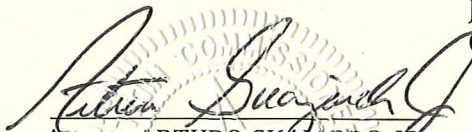
RAMON GARCIA
County Judge



EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU
County Commissioner, Pct. 2



JOSEPH PALACIOS
County Commissioner, Pct. 4



Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk

