



Hidalgo County Commissioners Court

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NEWS RELEASE

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County Judge host virtual Interfaith Hour of Prayer and Reflection

EDINBURG – Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez will be joined by several interfaith religious leaders for an hour of prayer and reflection. The virtual prayer service will be livestreamed on the county's YouTube channel starting at 2 p.m. today.

"Throughout this ordeal I have made no secret that I am a man of faith and towards that end I have asked our religious leaders to offer a prayer to our county residents during this moment of crisis," said Cortez.

Among the religious leaders taking part in the moment of prayer are Rev. Daniel E. Flores, Bishop of the Diocese of Brownsville; Imam Noor Ahmad, former Imam of McAllen Mosque; Rabbi Nathan Farb, Rabbi for Temple Emanuel; Lolita Pagarani, a Bahai from McAllen; Pastor Juan de la Garza, Palmview Iglesia de Pueblo; Pastor Joe Ramientos; and Kala Kasba, Hindu Temple.

Residents can watch the livestream on the county's [YouTube channel](#). Links will also be posted on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.

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