

## EPILEPSY AWARENESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, more than 3.4 million Americans have epilepsy, including 15,667 citizens of Hidalgo County; and


**WHEREAS**, epilepsy is a common neurological disorder affecting 1 in 26 people. Seizures are disturbances in the electrical activity of the brain and one in three individuals with epilepsy will have uncontrolled seizures; and

**WHEREAS**, surveys show that half of adolescents think epilepsy is contagious or have no knowledge of the condition at all, leading to feelings of isolation among persons with epilepsy; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Hidalgo, Texas joins the Epilepsy Foundation Central & South Texas in encouraging people to focus attention this month on epilepsy, and becoming more understanding of those living with epilepsy, and in supporting epilepsy education, programs and services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Hidalgo County Commissioners Court does hereby proclaim November 2019 as Epilepsy Awareness Month.

Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.



**RICHARD F. CORTEZ**

County Judge



**DAVID L. FUENTES**

County Commissioner, Pct. 1



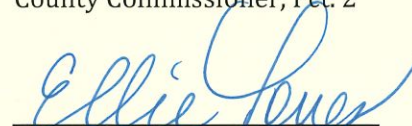
**EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU**

County Commissioner, Pct. 2



**JOE M. FLORES**

County Commissioner, Pct. 3



**ELLIE TORRES**

County Commissioner, Pct. 4



Attest: **ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.**

County Clerk