

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION TO NAME THE HIDALGO COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FACILITY THE "JOHN AUSTIN PENA MEMORIAL CENTER"

WHEREAS, the life of John Austin Pena of Edinburg was cut tragically short ten years ago on May 18, 2001, at the age of 16, and Hidalgo County joins his family and friends in honoring the memory of this beloved young Texan; and

WHEREAS, John was a bright, spirited, cheerful young man endowed with a lively imagination and curiosity, and the radiance exuded by this treasured young man continues to live on through the John Austin Pena Scholarship, which carries a heartfelt message of hope and is awarded to a member of the Texas Association of Addiction Professionals Texas Teens program who is pursuing a college degree; and

WHEREAS, the Hidalgo County Substance Abuse Treatment Center was created through a collaborative effort between the State of Texas and Hidalgo County, to provide community-based substance abuse and mental health services for adolescents and adults in Hidalgo County; and

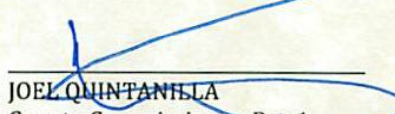
WHEREAS, we stand together in commemoration of John's life with his loving family members: his father and stepmother, Aaron Pena, Jr., and Monica Pena; his mother, Criselda Pena; his dear siblings, Adrienne Pena-Garza, Aaron Leonel Pena, Alyssa Victoria Pena, and Michael Anthony Pena; his beloved young daughter, Chelsea Pena, and all his other relatives; and

Now, therefore, be it RESOLVED that the Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court wishes to memorialize the legacy of this young life; and orders that the Hidalgo County Substance Abuse Treatment Facility, located at 3341 E. Richardson Road in Edinburg, Texas is hereby designated the "John Austin Pena Memorial Center."

Approved this 17th day of May, 2011.



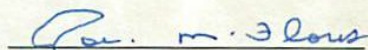
RAMON GARCIA
County Judge



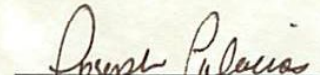
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Attest: ARTURO GUAJARDO JR.
County Clerk