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HIDALGO COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT TO RECOGNIZE FORMER MCALLEN LEADERS CORTEZ AND BARRERA, AND UTPA PROFESSOR TURK

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2013

Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court

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Edinburg, Texas – At its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 3, 2013, Hidalgo County Commissioners Court will be recognizing and honoring former McAllen Mayor Richard Cortez, former McAllen Commissioner Marcus Barrera, and University of Texas-Pan American professor Dr. William Turk. Cortez and Barrera are being honored for their legacy of public service during their terms in office; Dr. Turk is being recognized on the occasion of his retirement after many years of teaching at the Edinburg university.

Mayor Cortez was elected the eighteenth mayor of the city of McAllen, and served for two consecutive terms; he decided not to seek mayoral re-election for a third term to spend time with his family. Commissioner Barrera served from 2001 to 2008 as Mayor Pro Tem and McAllen City Commissioner, District Two.

Dr. Turk is retiring from teaching at UTPA after 23 years as an associate professor of political science; Dr. Turk also served as the Director of the Master of Public Administration program.

Commissioners Court will be considering resolutions in their honor, as requested by Pct. 4 Commissioner Joseph Palacios. View a copy of the agenda at www.co.hidalgo.tx.us/agenda.

All media and the public are invited to attend.

For those who cannot attend, meetings of Hidalgo County Commissioners Court are broadcast live, online, beginning at 9:30 am at <http://www.cityofedinburg.com/ecnlivestreaming.php>.

DETAILS

WHAT: Resolution in Honor of Mayor Richard Cortez
Resolution in Honor of Marcus Cayetano Barrera
Resolution in Honor of Dr. William L. Turk

WHEN: Tuesday, September 3, 2013
9:30 am

WHERE: Edinburg City Council Chambers
415 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Texas 78539

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