

ROTARY CLUB OF EDINBURG CENTENNIAL

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Edinburg was established on January 10, 1925, by a group of citizens determined to give back to their community. The Rotary Club of Edinburg was officially chartered with sixteen charter members including President-W. R. Montgomery, Vice President-Marshall McIlhenny and Secretary-Cam Hill committed to the Rotary International motto of "Service Above Self"; and,

WHEREAS, through the years, the club has undertaken a wide range of community service projects to benefit the community. In the 1930's the Rotary Club of Edinburg assisted in forming the Cultural Arts Inc. and brought distinguished speakers and music productions to the city; and,

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Edinburg was instrumental in developing the Little League Baseball Program and summer athletic programs for young people; and,

WHEREAS, on November 1, 1990, the Rotary Club of Edinburg inducted the first women in the club, Teresa Morales-Best, Martha Noell, Carol Rausch, and Judy Vinson. In 1995 Judy Vinson was appointed the first female President; and,

WHEREAS, four presidents, Fritz Hagadorn, Bill Koen, Herndon Aderhold and Caleb Reynolds, share the distinction of having had fathers Fred Hagadorn, C.E. Koen, Herndon Aderhold Sr., and Stephen Reynolds who were also presidents. W.C., Stephen, and Caleb Reynolds represent three generations of presidents; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of Edinburg played a vital leadership role generating six District Governors: John Kirkpatrick, Ohland Morton, T. Lawrence White, H.A. Hodges, F.J. Brewerton, and Armando Chapa; and,

WHEREAS, the Centennial President is Manuel Cantu, President Elect-Arlina Larson, Treasurer-Rebecca Morrison, Secretary-Trecia Munal and Sargent in Arms-Rene Nario Cantu; and,

WHEREAS, for one hundred years, the Rotary Club of Edinburg has played a vital role in making our community a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAMIRO GARZA, JR., MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EDINBURG, TX: By the power vested in me by law, do hereby recognize the:

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for 100 years of making a difference in the City of Edinburg.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Edinburg, Texas, a Municipal Corporation, to be affixed on this the 18th day of March, 2025.

ATTEST:

By: Clarice Y. Balderas, City Secretary

CLTY OF EDINBURG, TEXAS

Ramiro Garza, Ir., Mayor