

First, I want to thank God, my father, for his guidance in my life. I want to thank my attorney, Adolfo "Al" Alvarez for representing me. I want to thank my sister, Haydee Lopez, for all the love and support she has given

me all these days, and the rest of my family as well. I want to thank all of the precinct 1 employees, past and present, and all the Hidalgo County and Drainage District employees, past and present for their great work. Thank you also to all the County Commissioners and County Judges, past and present, that I have served with. Special thank you to my immediate staff, Dr. Lori Ochoa, Joanne Gonzalez, and Pamela Hernandez, who have maintained the

office in these last challenging months.

I am, this day, tendering my resignation as Hidalgo County Commissioner for Precinct 1. This would also include

resignations as President of the Hidalgo-Willacy Housing Finance Corporation, President of the Hidalgo County

Housing Finance Corporation, Hidalgo County Urban County Advisory Board, Secretary of the Rio Grande Valley

Development Council, and Representative to the Texas Association of Regional Councils.

I want to thank each and every one of my supporters and voters in the Cities of Donna, Alamo, Weslaco, Mercedes,

Progreso, Progreso Lakes, La Villa, Edcouch, Elsa, and the community of Monte Alto. I want thank all of the past

and current Mayors and City Commissioners I had the honor of working with to better life for our constituents. To

the elected school board members, past and present, school administrators and transportation directors, we have

strived to provide safe routes to school for all children living in the rural areas of Precinct 1. From the Rio

Grande River to the border of Willacy County and from the border of Cameron County to Precinct 2, we have had great

challenges in keeping up with the growth of population. With nearly 400 miles of roads to pave and/or maintain, 85

miles of ditches to keep clean and flowing, and almost 600 colonias, my life has been consumed with work.

We are all experiencing hard times with the economy and meeting the needs of our people. Unemployment is at an

all-time high, traffic has increased, and crime is rising. We must all work together to be a successful region.

It has been an honor representing you and working for you. Experiences I will cherish all of my life. I will make

myself available to help in a smooth transition

For me, a new chapter in my life begins. My daughter Arielle will be graduating from high school and my son,

Gabriel has started Middle School. I look forward to being a full-time mother and wife. God bless you, God bless

Precinct 1. God bless Hidalgo County, Texas, and God bless America!