## **County of Nueces**

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COMMISSIONERS COURT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION CLARIFYING THAT FUNDS FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN TAX LEVY MAY BE USED TO FUND HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS OF THE HOSPITAL DISTRICT, IN ADDITION TO INDIGENT HEALTHCARE, AND TO ADOPT THE TERM "INTELLECUTAL DISABILITIES" TO REPLACE "MENTAL RETARDATION"

WHEREAS, Health Code, §281.094 relates to use of certain funds by the Hospital District and §281.094(a) provides that with the approval of the Nueces County Commissioners Court, the board of the Nueces County Hospital District may use funds made available to the district from sources other than a tax levy to fund health care services, including public health services, mental health and mental retardation services, emergency medical services, health services provided to persons confined in j ail facilities, and for other health related purposes; and,

WHEREAS, during the 87th Legislative Session, the Nueces County Commissioners Court is hereby supportive of amending Health and Safety Code Section 281.094(a) to clarify that the Nueces County Hospital District may use funds available to the district from sources other than tax levy to fund health care services for residents of the district in addition to indigent health care:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES **COUNTY, TEXAS,** hereby supports the resolution attached hereto by the Hospital District Board of Session

requesting to amend Health Code, §281.094(a) to: (a) clarify that the Hospital District may use funds made available to the district from sources other than a tax levy to fund health care services for residents of the district, in addition to indigent health care; and (b) to adopt the term "intellectual disabilities" to replace "mental retardation" which is now recognized as an inaccurate term.

DULY ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS, ON

THIS THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021.

ROBERTO G. HERNANDEZ

Commissioner, Precinct 1

JOE A. GONZALEZ Commissioner, Precinct 2 BARBARA CANALES

Judge

ATTEST:

Commissioner, Precinct 3

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