

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CAMERON

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CENSURING BOARD MEMBER CARLOS ELIZONDO**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Brownsville Independent School District is entrusted with maintaining the integrity, decorum, and ethical standards of its members;

WHEREAS, these standards are explicitly defined within School Board Policy BBF (LOCAL), which emphasizes Equity in Attitude, Trustworthiness in Stewardship, Honor in Conduct, Integrity of Character, Commitment to Service, and a Student-Centered Focus;

WHEREAS, it is the expectation that all Board members abide by these principles to ensure the optimal operation of the Board and to uphold the trust placed in them by the community;

WHEREAS, Mr. Elizondo accused the District's Consultant for a Preferred Provider Organization of lying to the Board and directed derogatory and insulting remarks at the District's Consultant on multiple occasions in Open Session;

WHEREAS, at the Special Called Board Meeting on September 22, 2023, Mr. Elizondo disregarded the rules of decorum when he spoke out of turn and commanded a Board Member to ask an additional question to a Presenter-Respondent, despite Board President's multiple calls for order, thereby disrupting and obstructing a meeting of the Board of Trustees;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Penal Code section 42.05 it is a state crime to disrupt a board meeting, by physical action or verbal utterance; the Board has determined that Mr. Elizondo's actions pose a threat to the integrity, decorum, ethical standard, and professionalism of the District at large;

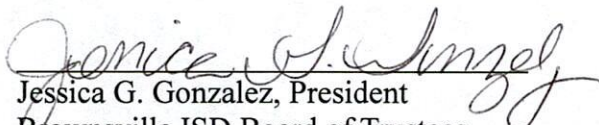
WHEREAS, the Board has a duty to act in the best interests of the District, ensuring that all members of its community are treated with respect and dignity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees of the Brownsville Independent School District:

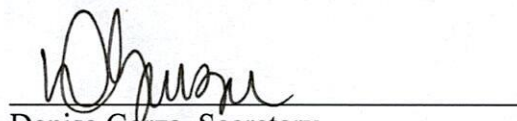
1. Is resolved to address these allegations with the seriousness they warrant and to take appropriate measures to prevent such behavior from recurring;
2. Hereby censures Mr. Carlos Elizondo for his misconduct, expressing severe disapproval of his actions, which failed to meet the standards expected of a Board member;
3. Directs Mr. Elizondo to comply with Board Operating Procedure for meeting decorum, to comply with Robert's Rules of Order regarding the authority of the Presiding Officer, and to speak constructively in Board Meetings in pursuit of the betterment of Brownsville ISD.
4. And to reiterate to all District employees and contractors the Board's commitment to a respectful and professional working environment, emphasizing that it *will not tolerate* any deliberately obstruction of a meeting of the Board of Trustees.

THIS RESOLUTION TO CENSURE SERVES AS A CLEAR STATEMENT OF THE BOARD'S COMMITMENT TO UPHOLDING THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF CONDUCT AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR ALL BOARD MEMBERS, ENSURING THE INTEGRITY OF THE BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT.

ADOPTED this October 3, 2023, by the Board of Trustees of the Brownsville Independent School District.



Jessica G. Gonzalez, President
Brownsville ISD Board of Trustees



Denise Garza, Secretary
Brownsville ISD Board of Trustees