

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS There is a significant number of citizens in *Uvalde County* who are currently medically underserved for a number of reasons, the most prominent of which include geographical isolation, financial barriers, and an insufficient number of health care providers; and

WHEREAS *Our Health/Nuestro Centro de Salud* is a program of a private, nonprofit corporation that provides high quality comprehensive primary health care to medically underserved people in *Uvalde County*; and

WHEREAS *Our Health/Nuestro Centro de Salud* has made great strides in the Uvalde health care system specifically by maintaining a high standard of accountability, demonstrating cost effectiveness, empowering our community to develop programs to its specific needs, enhancing opportunities for children and families, and providing health care services in accessible low-cost environments; and

WHEREAS *Our Health/Nuestro Centro de Salud* has also made a significant difference in the Uvalde health care system by improving access to quality health care provided by trained professionals in areas that had previously been unserved or underserved, promoting individual responsibility and health awareness in the community, and offering primary preventive health care of the highest quality to reduce preventable deaths, costly disabilities, and communicable diseases; and


WHEREAS Community Health Centers such as *Our Health/Nuestro Centro de Salud* promote 100% access and zero health disparities to help achieve primary health care for all people;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM R. MITCHELL, UVALDE COUNTY JUDGE, do hereby proclaim the week of *August 8* through *August 14, 2010* as:

“COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER WEEK”

in *Uvalde County*, and urge our citizens to recognize the important contributions of *Our Health/Nuestro Centro de Salud* to the improvement of the general quality of life of the citizens of Uvalde County and does hereby recognize the important contributions of *Our Health/Nuestro Centro De Salud* in expanding access to health care and improving the health and future well being of the people of *Uvalde County*.

SIGNED on this the 20th day of **MAY, 2010**



William R. Mitchell

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UVALDE COUNTY JUDGE