

Resolution



ORDER NO: 2014-0288

DATE: March 4, 2014

STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

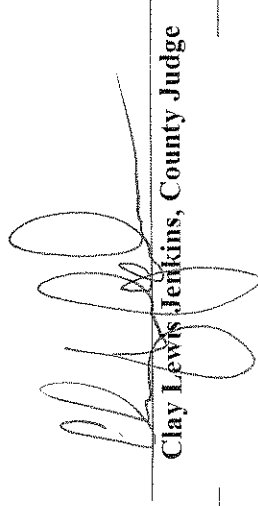
BE IT REMEMBERED, at a regular meeting of the Commissioners Court of Dallas County, Texas, held on the 4th day of March, 2014, on motion made by Dr. Theresa M. Daniel, Commissioner of District #1, and seconded by Mike Cantrell, Commissioner of District #2, the following Resolution was adopted:


- WHEREAS**, For 25 years, Head Start of Greater Dallas has served the total needs of more than 87,000 children and families living at or below the poverty line in Dallas County; and
- WHEREAS**, Today, their organization serves more than 3,900 infants, toddlers, pregnant mothers and preschoolers at their 42 Early Head Start and Head Start centers; and
- WHEREAS**, Established in 1968, Head Start of Greater Dallas operated under the auspices of several different agencies until 1989, when the organization incorporated as an independent nonprofit agency serving 1,090 children; and
- WHEREAS**, Head Start of Greater Dallas employs more than 600 full-time staff and receives most of its operating funds (\$34.8 million) from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Federal regulations require Head Start to raise an additional \$8.7 million, or 20 percent, in local community support; and
- WHEREAS**, Throughout Dallas County, Head Start of Greater Dallas operates full-day early childhood development centers, including partners Dallas ISD, Irving ISD, Lancaster ISD; and
- WHEREAS**, Head Start of Greater Dallas was one of eight Head Start programs in the country to receive the National Head Start Association Program of Excellence Award; and
- WHEREAS**, In addition to preparing children for school, the Head Start program gives children a solid foundation for future success in life. Studies show that children who have participated in the Head Start program are more likely to remain in school, avoid teenage pregnancy and involvement in juvenile crime, and find meaningful employment later in life. One dollar invested in Head Start of Greater Dallas generates as much as \$17 in benefits to society; and

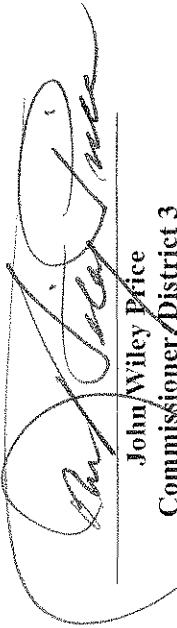
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED, that on behalf of the Dallas County Commissioner Court and the residents of Dallas County, who are the beneficiaries of Head Start's spirit, we congratulate Head Start of Greater Dallas for their 25 outstanding years serving the children and families of Dallas County.

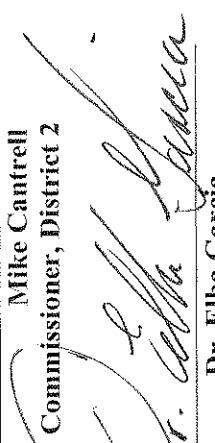
DONE IN OPEN COURT this the 4th day of March, 2014.


Dr. Theresa Daniel
Commissioner, District 1


Clay Lewis Jenkins, County Judge


Mike Cantrell
Commissioner, District 2


John Wiley Price
Commissioner, District 3


Dr. Elba Garcia
Commissioner, District 4